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TROUBLE FEARED IN PEKING.

MARTIAL LAW DECLARED IN CAPITALS.

FENGTIEN FORCES RE-CAPTURE KALGAN.

TROOPS LEAVE SWATOW.

Owing to the feared activities of the "Kuomintang Civilian Corps," many of whom are said to be in Peking and Mukden, martial law has been proclaimed in both those capitals. Very strict guard and watch is being maintained in Peking, police, fire brigades and all available troops being mobilised. It is said that the "Civilian Corps" has tried to cut the line from Peking to Mukden.

The successes of the Fengtien forces continue and the recapture of Kalgan is officially confirmed. Chang Tso-lin's troops have captured many more prisoners and guns.

The Swatow situation having eased considerably, Cantonese troops are leaving in large numbers, a batch with machine guns having left on a steamer for an unknown destination. No further trouble is anticipated.

The Canton situation, reported in another column, is that the "Red" elements, emboldened by the support of the returned troops of General Chang Fat-kwai, are taking drastic action against the "Whites." Several men have been killed in clashes, and General Li Chai-sun is said to have arrested 20 radicals who were stirring up agitation against him.

SOUTH TO RE-ATTACK NORTH.

Shanghai, Oct. 17. A man of the Nationalist Military Cavalry suddenly appeared near expedition against the north. Changshien on Friday and several thousand troops crossed into conflict with the Feng to the north bank of the Yangtze. Fighting was heard during the week-end, apparently in Peking on Saturday morning, presaging a renewed offensive. The same evening martial law was declared in the northern capital, apart from other considerations.

Marshal Chang Tso-lin mobilized all the troops in Peking, who were the troops have no winter uniforms, to watch the different forms, makes a definite forward movement most unlikely.—Reuter.

DELEGATES RETURN.

Wang Ching-wei Incognito.

Shanghai, Oct. 17. Mr. Wang Ching-wei and wife arrived here yesterday morning on the s.s. Tuckwo, travelling under the aliases Li Fong-cheng and Miss Wei, whilst the Nationalist Government delegates Messrs. Sun Fo, Wong Chung-hui, Wu Chao-chu, and General Tan Yen-kuai, left for Nanking yesterday evening.—Reuter.

SWATOW SITUATION.

Cantonese Troops Leaving.

Swatow, Oct. 15. Cantonese troops are leaving here, three boats with soldiers on board having left today. One group, consisting of about 400 men left by the s.s. Hwei-an at three o'clock this afternoon under the escort of an armed launch named the Manshan, this latter vessel also carrying soldiers.

At twenty minutes to six a further batch left by the s.s. Huahsin. No untoward incidents have occurred and matters are quiet.—Naval Wireless.

NO FURTHER TROUBLE.

Swatow, Oct. 16. Completely equipped with horses and machine-guns, etc., a large body of troops sailed from Swatow to-day on the Cantonese steamer, the s.s. Hwanyang, for an unknown destination.

The city is very quiet now, and further trouble is not anticipated at the present time.—Naval Wireless.

SITUATION OBSCURE.

Movement to Grand Canal.

Chinkiang, Oct. 16. Acting under instructions from Nanking, the 14th Nationalist Army has moved up to the Grand Canal. Other troop movements are taking place, but the situation generally is obscure.—Naval Wireless.

THE DEATH PENALTY ABOLISHED.

Nanking, Oct. 16.

A very large number of troops, forming the greater part of the 4th, 7th and 9th Nationalist Armies, have crossed the river to Pukow, the Hessian Diet, according to the German newspapers, has abolished the death penalty.—Indo-pacific.

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CANTON TENSION.

"REDS" TURNING ON "WHITES."

MORE BRUTAL KILLING.

A very tense situation has prevailed in Canton throughout the week-end owing to further clashes between "Red" and "Moderate" labour elements, following the annual conference of the members of the Seamen's Union.

It appears that on Friday morning, a parade was in progress by some of the more radical members' supporters when a house was raided in which it was known that "white" seamen were staying. A serious fight ensued, at least four of the "whites" being killed. The bodies were subsequently terribly mutilated. It was not until the police intervened that order was restored.

Bomb Explosion.

There was also a bomb explosion in Cheung Lok Street, in the western suburbs, said to be the radical headquarters. It is said that the bomb burst in the home of its makers, and it is known that at least two men were seriously injured.

It is now very evident that with the return to Canton of the troops of General Chang Fat-kwai, the "Reds" are everywhere gaining control, as the "Ironsides" support the Labour-Peasant organisations. Many prominent extremists who left the City after the anti-Red coup of a few months ago are now returning and have already come out into the open.

There have been several parades by Unionists to demand that the Government restore power to the workers.

Radicals Arrested.

At the meeting of Chinese seamen on Friday, among the slogans shouted by the radicals was "Down with Li Chai-sum." After the shouting out of this slogan, all the radicals produced their small red flags and waved them. This was immediately reported to General Li Chai-sum, who was furious when he heard this and immediately ordered the Public Safety Bureau to send out soldiers to arrest some of the leaders of the meeting.

But when the soldiers arrived on the scene all the radicals had left the meeting-room for a parade along the maloos. It was not until six o'clock in the evening that the men from the Public Safety Bureau were able to locate the radicals, and arrested twenty of their leaders.

Printers Go "Red."

Canton, Oct. 17. All the newspapers in Canton will have to suspend publication again to-morrow, for to-day the printers and compositors have taken a holiday to celebrate the return to power of the "leftist" leaders.

The Printers' Labour Union, which was originally a "Red" or leftist organization but reorganized by the moderate authorities during the anti-Red coup of April last, is changing colour again, for most of the Red labour leaders of this as well as all other labour unions have returned to power in Canton.

As in the case of the Seamen's Union, the moderate officers who had been in charge of the Printers' Union, have been kicked out of office by the Reds who have taken over the control of the Printers' Union again.—Nam Chung Pao.

ANOTHER GERMAN FLIGHT.

SEAPLANE TO CROSS ATLANTIC.

SCHELLINGWOUDE, Oct. 16.

The German seaplane DL220 has set out for Lisbon, en route to the Azores and America.—Reuter.

THE DEATH PENALTY ABOLISHED.

TROOP MOVEMENT.

NANKING, Oct. 16.

A very large number of troops,

SCENE IN ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.

AN UNORTHODOX BISHOP DENOUNCED.

INTERRUPTION TO SERVICE.

London, Oct. 16.

The modernist doctrines of Bishop Barnes, which recently offended a number of more orthodox churchmen, led to a painful scene in Saint Paul's Cathedral.

Bishop Barnes was mounting the pulpit to deliver a sermon, when a robed clergyman, the rector of a city church, accompanied by a number of followers, walked up the steps and denounced Bishop Barnes' "false and erratic teaching," and demanded that the Bishop of London inhibit Bishop Barnes from preaching in any church in the London diocese.

Bishop Barnes stood with bowed head, and a most pained expression, and subsequently delivered a sermon without further incident.—Reuter.

ATTEMPT TO BREAK A RECORD.

PLANE TO SOAR EIGHT MILES.

London, Oct. 16.

Captain Uwins will make an attempt early this week to fly to a height of eight miles above the ground level, and thus break the existing world's height record for aeroplanes.

Owing to the intense cold at an altitude of eight miles, he will wear special electrically-heated clothing. Oxygen will be carried in the machine, and be fed to Capt. Uwins through a mask.

Long before he reaches the height he hopes to achieve, the air will be so rarefied that it will be impossible to breath without artificial aids.

The present world's altitude record for all classes of aeroplanes is held by the Frenchman, Sadi Lecointe, and stands at 36,220 feet, or just under seven miles.

BRITAIN TO AUSTRALIA.

London, Oct. 16.

An important experiment in British aviation begins tomorrow, when four Royal Air Force flying boats leave Plymouth on a cruise to Singapore and Australia.

The cruise, which will cover 25,000 miles, will occupy about twelve months, and it is probable that on its completion the flying boat base will be stationed at Singapore. The object of the tour is to obtain experience in the problems involved when flying boats carry out an extended independent cruise far from shore bases. It is also hoped to gain experience of the problems connected with reinforcing of the points on the Imperial routes with aircraft drawn from England or other parts of the Empire.

The machines engaged are of the Supermarine "Southampton" type, each fitted with two Napier Lion engines of 450 horsepower.

Group Captain C. G. Brown, C. V. G. will command. Each boat will be manned by two officers and two mechanics.

The machines are of the standard Royal Air Force type, but with duralumin instead of the usual wooden hulls, and with modifications in the arrangement of equipment. The use of duralumin instead of wood has made it possible to give more room for the crew, and it has the advantage of avoiding water soakage, which seriously increases the weight.

With the increased tankage for this tour, each flying boat weighs 8½ tons.

CREW WELL ACCOMMODATED.

The crew will be able to sleep and cook on board. They have already at Felixstowe made the experiment of staying aboard two or three days at a time.

The flying boats will to-morrow make for the French seaplane station near Bordeaux, then cross over the land to the Mediterranean, and follow the coast to Italy, then to Alexandria and across 150 miles of the Persian Gulf.

They will make a complete tour of the Indian coast, and travel by Rangoon and Singapore to Australia, cruising round the continent by Fremantle and Melbourne to Port Darwin, then back to Singapore.

They expect to reach Karachi on November 18, Bombay in January, Calcutta in February, Singapore at the end of that month, Batavia in May, Fremantle, Adelaide, and Melbourne in June, Sydney in August, and be back at Singapore in January.

London, Oct. 16.

The Small Avro Avian aeroplane, in which Captain Lancaster, accompanied by Mrs. Keith Miller, is making a flight to Australia, left Le Bourget this morning for Rome. Their departure from Le Bourget had been delayed by fog, and it was considered probable that they might have to land at Dijon.—British Wireless.

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HOW RAKOWSKY SNEAKED AWAY.

PARIS, Oct. 16.

M. Rakovsky has departed secretly for Berlin. He left in the dark at six o'clock in the morning, in a motor-car, apparently because his intention to take French leave had been frustrated. In fact all the sleeping-cars in last night's Berlin train had been reserved, and even his personal efforts to secure a berth were unavailing.

He had not followed the usual practice of showing the Foreign Office his letters of recall.—Reuter.

FOREIGN MINISTER'S BIRTHDAY.

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN'S SIXTY-FOURTH.

London, Oct. 16.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, the Foreign Secretary, celebrates his 64th birthday to-day.—British Wireless.

PLANE CRUISE.

FLYING BOATS' LONG JOURNEY.

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THE GOVERNMENT'S WAR BOGEX AGAIN.

"INDEPENDENT" OF OTHER COUNTRIES.

NO MORE PAYMENTS.

London, Oct. 16.

Leningrad, Oct. 16. At a meeting of the Central Executive Committee of the Soviet Republic, M. Rykoff, the president of the Council of the Peoples' Commissaries, in a speech lasting two hours, dealing with the international and internal situation of the Republic, declared that the Soviet formerly, when weak, offered to buy off the imperialistic countries in order to gain a breathing space, but now it was stronger it no longer wished to pay, as it had offered to do at Genoa and at the Hague.

"The stronger we are, the less we depend on capitalist countries and the less we shall pay them."

The governments of certain capitalist countries would attempt an armed struggle against the Soviet, but war against the Soviet would only hasten the beginning of the Socialist revolution in other countries.—Reuter.

PIRACY FEARS DISPELLED.

Information received this morning

fairly well establishes the fact that the mysterious movements of an unknown vessel observed near Bias Bay by the a.s. Hop Sang, during the dark hours of yesterday morning, were those of H.M.S. Delhi, which was en route to Hongkong.

The local naval authorities have been informed by the commander of H.M.S. Delhi that she was in the waters indicated at the time stated by the master of the Jarдин steamer.

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AMERICAN LOANS.

COOLIDGE AGAINST NEW LEGISLATION.

New York, Oct. 15. That drastic legislation by Congress to regulate the State Department policy of auctioning and disapproving of foreign loans by American bankers might cause embarrassment is the opinion of President Coolidge, who regards the supervision as purely advisory and authorised by a provision of the Constitution which places the conduct of foreign affairs in the hands of the President.

It is well-known that bankers who have negotiated foreign loans running into millions have expressed the view that, on the whole Government supervision as exercised up to the present has worked fairly smoothly and they saw no reason for any change.

The loans rejected represented a small figure compared with the huge volume of loans negotiated, which amounted to one billion dollars in one year.

Bankers have adapted themselves to reporting to the State Department in advance loans under consideration and they are willing to continue to co-operate with the Government in this way.—*Reuter's American Service*.

SOVIET SCHEMES.

RESOLUTIONS TO BENEFIT WORKERS.

Leningrad, Oct. 15.

In connexion with the forthcoming tenth anniversary of the Bolshevik revolution, the second session of the Central Executive Committee of the Soviet Republic opened Uritsky Palace, Kalinin presiding over 632 members. The city is decorated and festooned and the neighbourhood of the Palace is filled with large crowds.

The Committee, in view of the approaching anniversary, resolved, *inter alia*, to reduce the industrial workers' working day from eight hours to seven hours within the next few years without a reduction in wages; to increase by fifty million roubles the Budget appropriation for building workers' houses, to reduce taxation on pensions for the poorer peasantry, to abolish capital punishment except for State and Military crimes and armed banditry, and to reduce the sentences of prisoners, except active members of political parties aiming at the overthrow of the Soviet, embezzlers and bribe-takers.—*Reuter*.

FINANCIAL ADVISER.

AMERICAN'S APPOINTMENT TO POLAND.

Washington, Oct. 16.

Mr. Charles Dewey, assistant secretary to the Treasury in charge of fiscal affairs has accepted the position of financial adviser to the Polish Government.—*Reuter*.

Warsaw, Oct. 16.

Mr. Dewey will be appointed to the board of the Bank of Poland in connexion with the Polish Stabilisation Loan agreement which has just been signed.—*Reuter*.

ROAD COLLISION.

SIXTEEN PASSENGERS KILLED IN AMERICA.

Indianapolis, Oct. 15.

Sixteen were killed and 20 injured when a tramcar ran into a trailer of a motorlorry on the outskirts of the city. The trailer was crowded with members of a Masonic recreation society going into the country to attend a barn dance. All were singing when the tramcar dashed in at full speed.—*Reuter's American Service*.

ATLANTIC RESCUE.

AMERICAN GIRL'S COOLNESS.

Horta, Oct. 15.

Further graphic details of how the "American Girl" was picked up were related by Capt. Goos when the Barendrecht arrived here. "It was at 7.45 on Thursday morning," said Capt. Goos. "Our position was 43.21, North, 21.39, when we sighted the "American Girl." She flew up to us rapidly and dropped a message, which fell on the deck, asking us, 'How far are we from land, and which way?' The message was signed, Ruth Elder. We painted an answer on the deck, saying, 'We are 380 miles from Terceira.' Thereupon the "American Girl" alighted alongside.

Miss Elder and her companion climbed on top of the aeroplane, and the crew of the Barendrecht rushed to their rescue in one of the ship's boats. On hearing of their position, the aviators decided it was impossible to continue even for the remaining 380 miles, as the gauge showed the oil pressure had dropped to five pounds."

It is understood that Miss Elder and Capt. Hildeman are leaving for Paris via Lisbon aboard the Portuguese mail boat Lima on Monday.—*Reuter's American Service*.

From the Jaws of Death.

Later.

All members of the Barendrecht's crew loudly praise Miss Elder's coolness. Her first words after boarding the tanker were, "Thank you very much," and thereafter she produced a lipstick and calmly used it, oblivious of the fact that she had just stepped from the jaws of death. Her *sangfroid* made such a deep impression on the crew, that the lipstick incident was duly noted in the official summary of the rescue given out by the ship's wireless.

The sea was very rough when the "American Girl" came down. When the Barendrecht tried to salvage the plane, the wings broke off and the motor bumped against the ship's side and exploded, showing flames as high as the ship's bridge. The machine sank. Miss Elder's and Capt. Hildeman's passports, parachutes and luggage were all lost.—*Reuter*.

MONOPLANE CRASH.

FIVE CIVILIANS KILLED IN AMERICAN ACCIDENT.

San Antonio, Texas, Oct. 16. A monoplane crashed at the Stinson Field municipal airport this evening when five civilians, including a man, his wife and four-year-old daughter, were killed.—*Reuter*.

UNITY IS STRENGTH.

CENTRAL AFRICAN DOMINION ADVOCATED.

London, Oct. 15.

General Northey, who commanded the Northern Force in the East African Campaign in the late war and was afterwards Governor of Kenya, was the guest of honour at a dinner celebrating the campaign. He expressed the view that some sort of amalgamation of East African territories was bound to come. Kenya, Uganda, Tanganyika and Zanzibar, he thought, ought to be able very shortly to come to some understanding.

It was obvious that if the working of the post and the telegraphs, the police garrison, and the customs could be properly arranged, it would be economical and he certainly hoped it would be done. The more difficult question was what Southern and Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland were going to do. Personally, he would like to see the two Rhodesian and Nyasaland joined together as soon as they could decide and he would look forward, in a quarter of a century, to a Central African Dominion. Then the old motto about "unity" being strength" would be proved there.—*British Wireless*.

FREIGHTER SUNK.

COLLISION WITH LINER AT NEW YORK.

New York, Oct. 15.

The Norwegian freighter *Bessengen* with a crew of 32 sank in a collision with the outgoing liner *Paris* in New York harbour.

The *Paris* lowered a motorboat and helped in the work of rescue and subsequently returned to the wharf. Twelve of the *Bessengen*'s crew are missing.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Struck Amidships.

New York, Oct. 15.

The *Bessengen* was lying across the channel and in the darkness the *Paris* struck her amidships, the lifeboats being thrown from the davits. There was no time to don lifebelts and most of those on board, including some women and children, climbed to the upper part of the vessel as the *Bessengen* listed. Many then jumped into the water and were picked up by boats from the liner and from the shore. Passing ferry boats also assisted in the rescue work.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Official Inquiry.

New York, Oct. 15.

Seven persons are still missing as a result of the sinking of the *s.s. Bessengen*. An official inquiry has been opened.

The captain of the *Paris* temporarily escaped this inquisition by sailing to France an hour and a half after the disaster as it was impossible to hold up the mails and passengers.

Statements from the captain and others on board the *Paris* will be taken when the liner returns to New York from France.—*Reuter*.

MILLION HOUSES.

BUILT SINCE THE ARMISTICE.

London, Oct. 15.

Official figures published to-day show that over one million houses have been built in England and Wales since the Armistice. The actual number is 1,224,000. Of these 299,000 were completed in the year ended September 30 last, providing accommodation for approximately one million people and no fewer than 52,261 were finished in September alone. These last two figures easily outdo all previous records.

The number completed in September is not far short of the whole yearly output of the pre-war period. It is to some extent due to the fact that the subsidy which has been granted to builders was reduced in respect of houses which were completed after the end of September, so that special efforts were made by builders during that month. The Times considers that the millionth house, wherever it may be, must stand as a silent tribute to the determined endeavour made by the State, by the local authorities and by private enterprise to overtake the arrears of housing accommodation which accumulated during the war.

DIVORCE DECREE.

GRANTED TO CONSTANCE TALMADGE.

London, Oct. 15.

The cinema actress, Constance Talmadge, has been granted a divorce in the Court of Session at Edinburgh in the undefended action against Capt. Alastair Mackintosh.—*Reuter*.

Constance's first husband was a rich tobacco manufacturer, John Pialogiu. She and Capt. Mackintosh eloped and then had a friendly separation. They were married in February of last year. Capt. Mackintosh was a personal friend of the Prince of Wales and was formerly aide-de-camp to Lord Willingdon when he was Governor of Bombay. Petitioner formerly stated that although Capt. Mackintosh was one of the finest gentlemen she had ever met, "we like different things and I want my art to be unfettered."

ISLAND REAPPEARS.

BELCHES FORTH STEAM AND LAVA.

Auckland, Oct. 16.

Falcon Island, which has reappeared from the sea near the Tonga group as a result of volcanic action, has been under observation by the warship *Laburnum* for a fortnight. The island is 1,730 yards long and 1,430 yards wide, the crater is 305 feet above sea level, belching for one minute every twenty minutes, columns of steam and lava rising to a height of 3,000 feet.—*Reuter*.

TO GO TO PARIS.

MR. ADACHI TO SUCCEED BARON ISHII.

Tokyo, Oct. 15.

Though not yet announced, it is understood that Mr. Adachi, Ambassador at Brussels, is succeeding Baron Ishii at Paris and that Mr. Hanbara, ex-Ambassador at Washington, is replacing Adachi.—*Reuter*.

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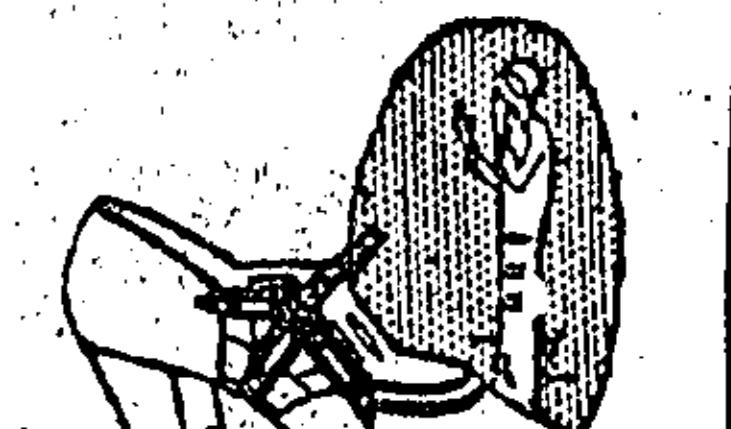
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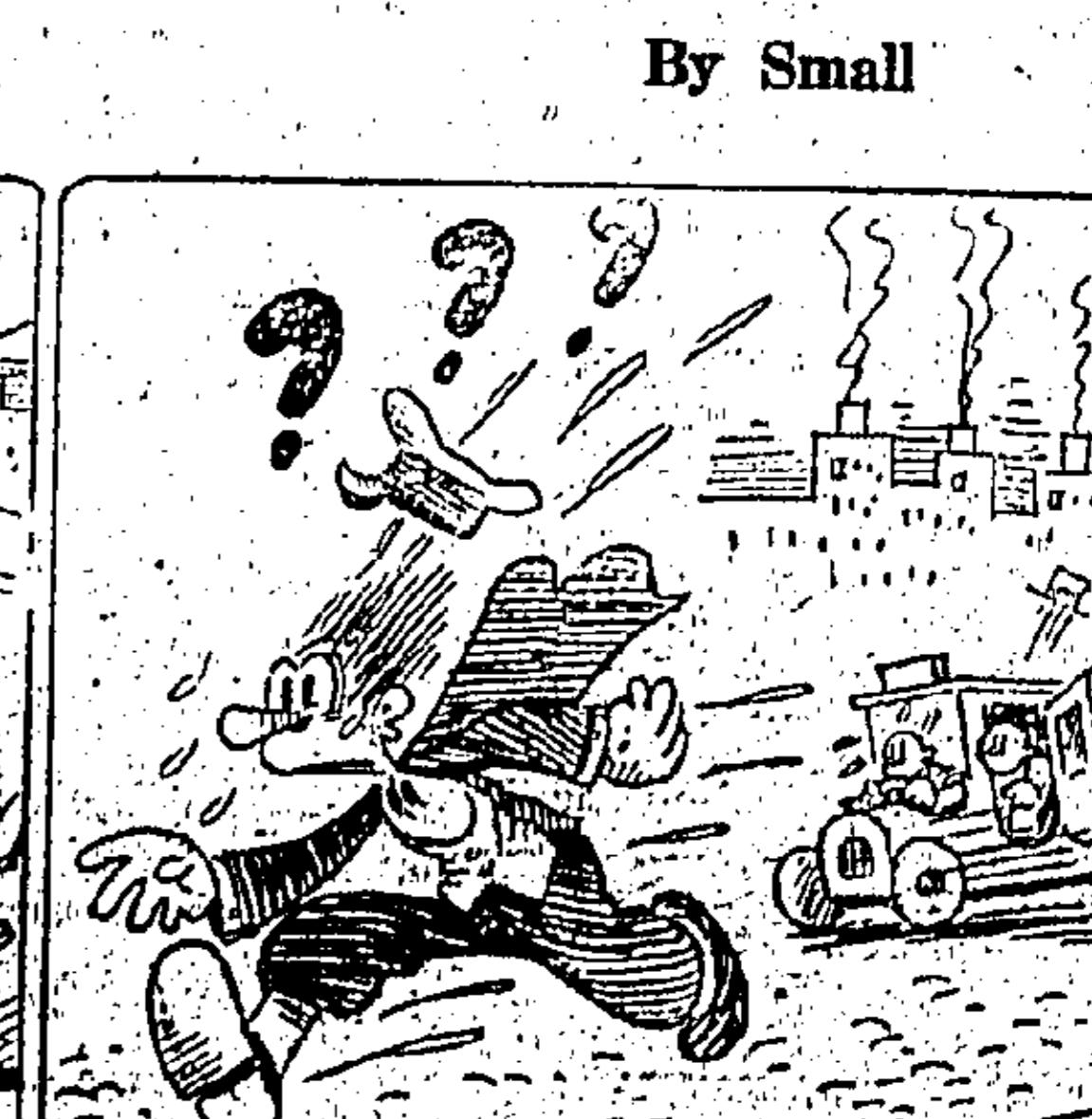
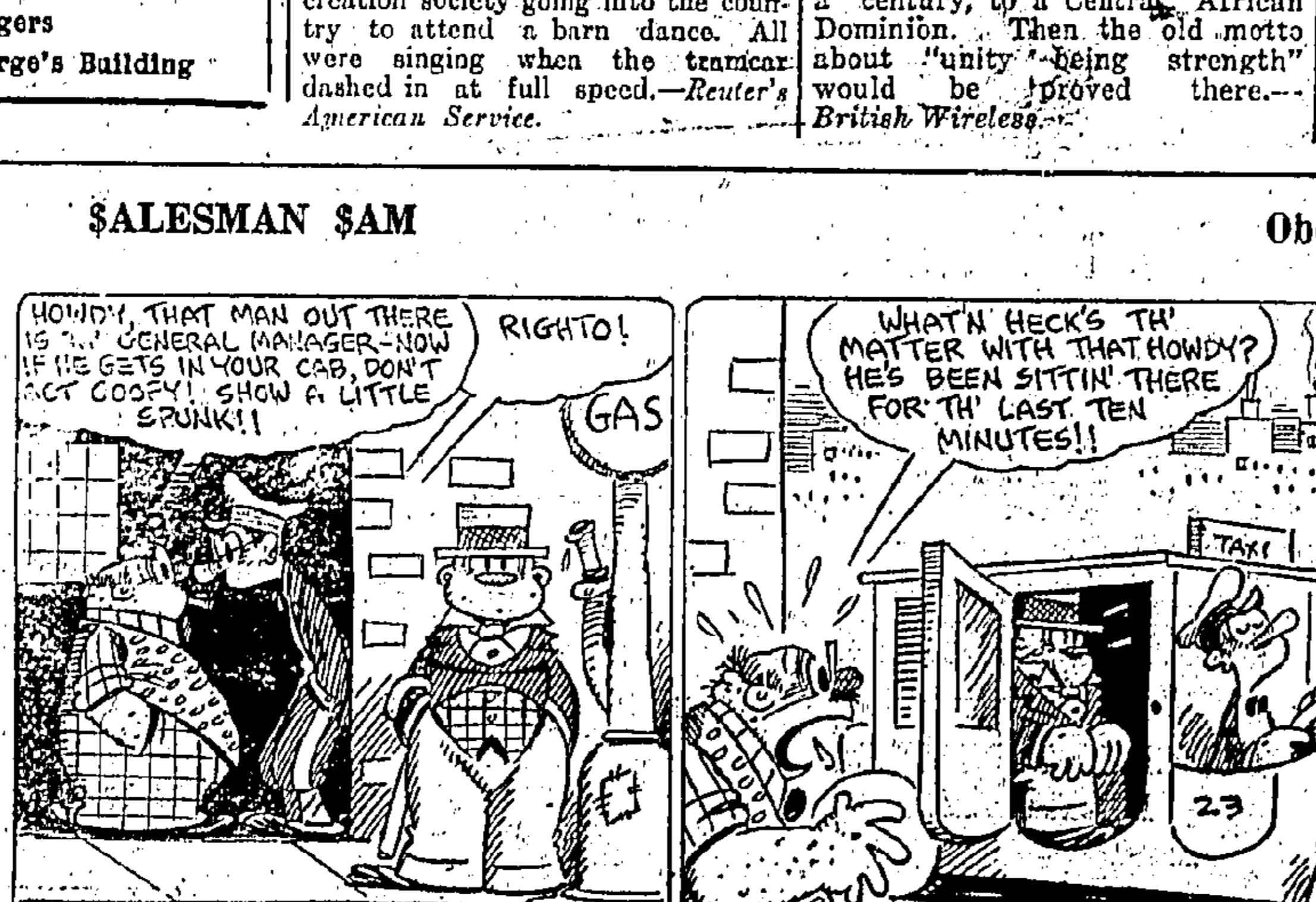
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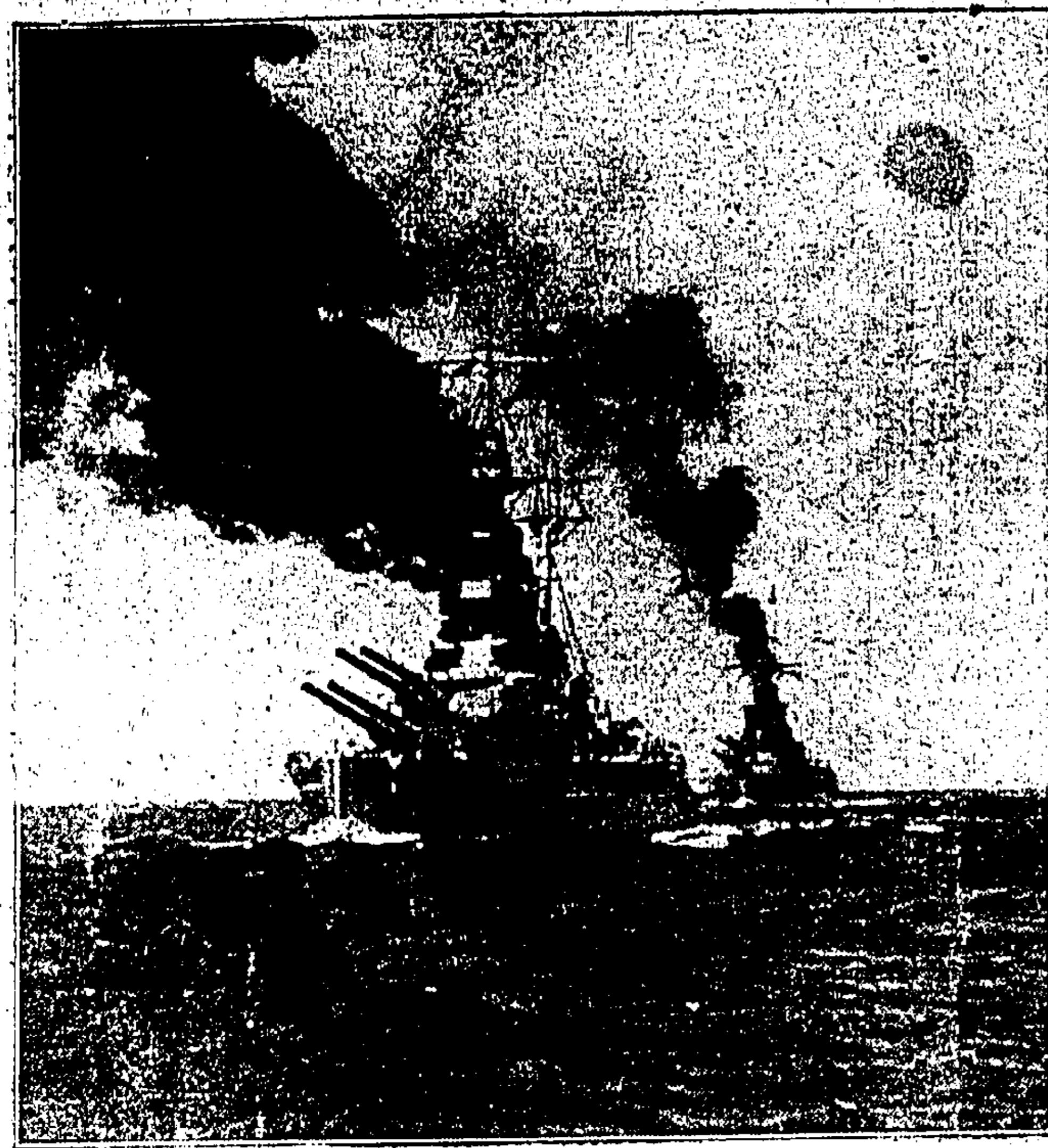


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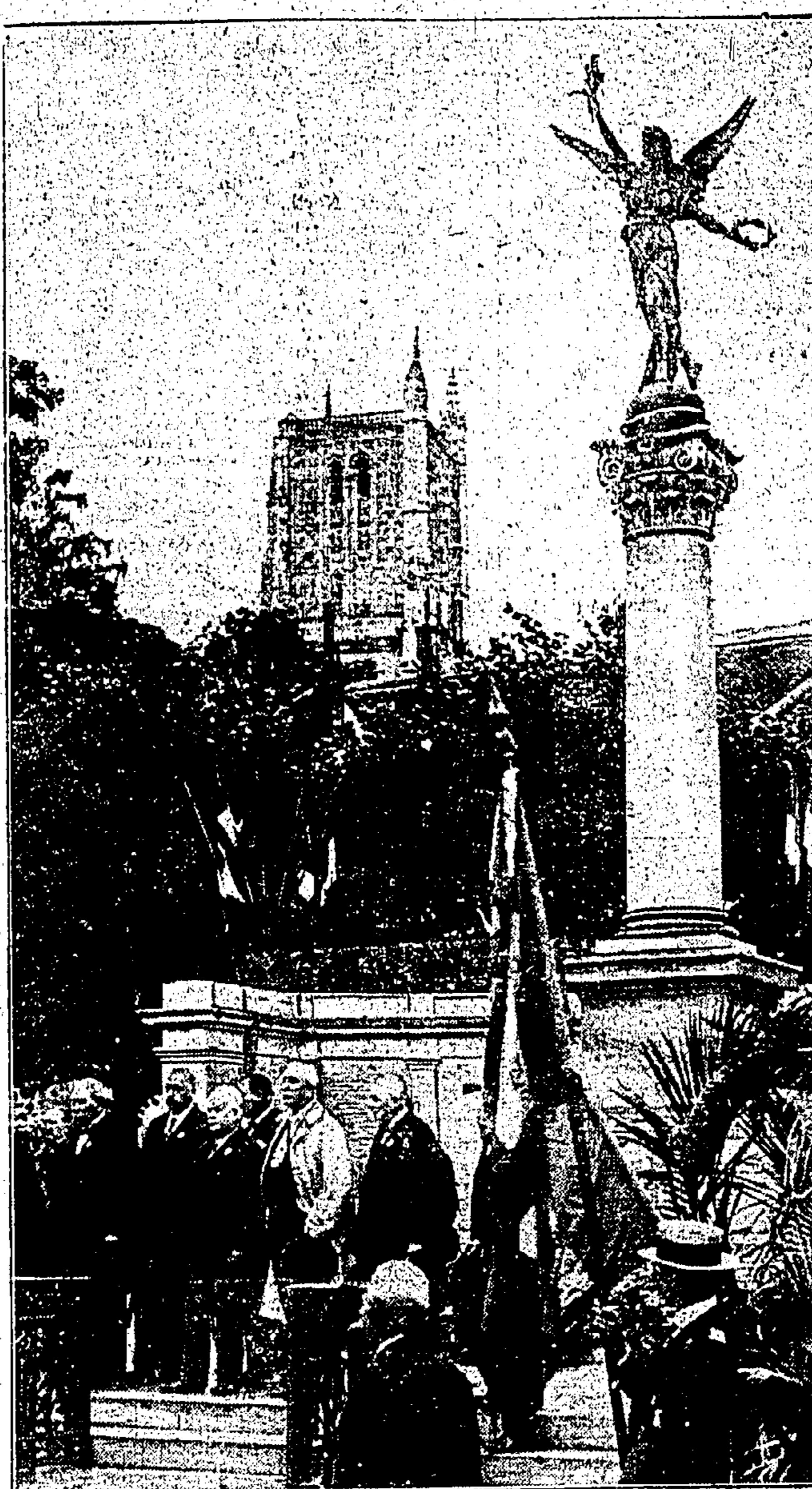




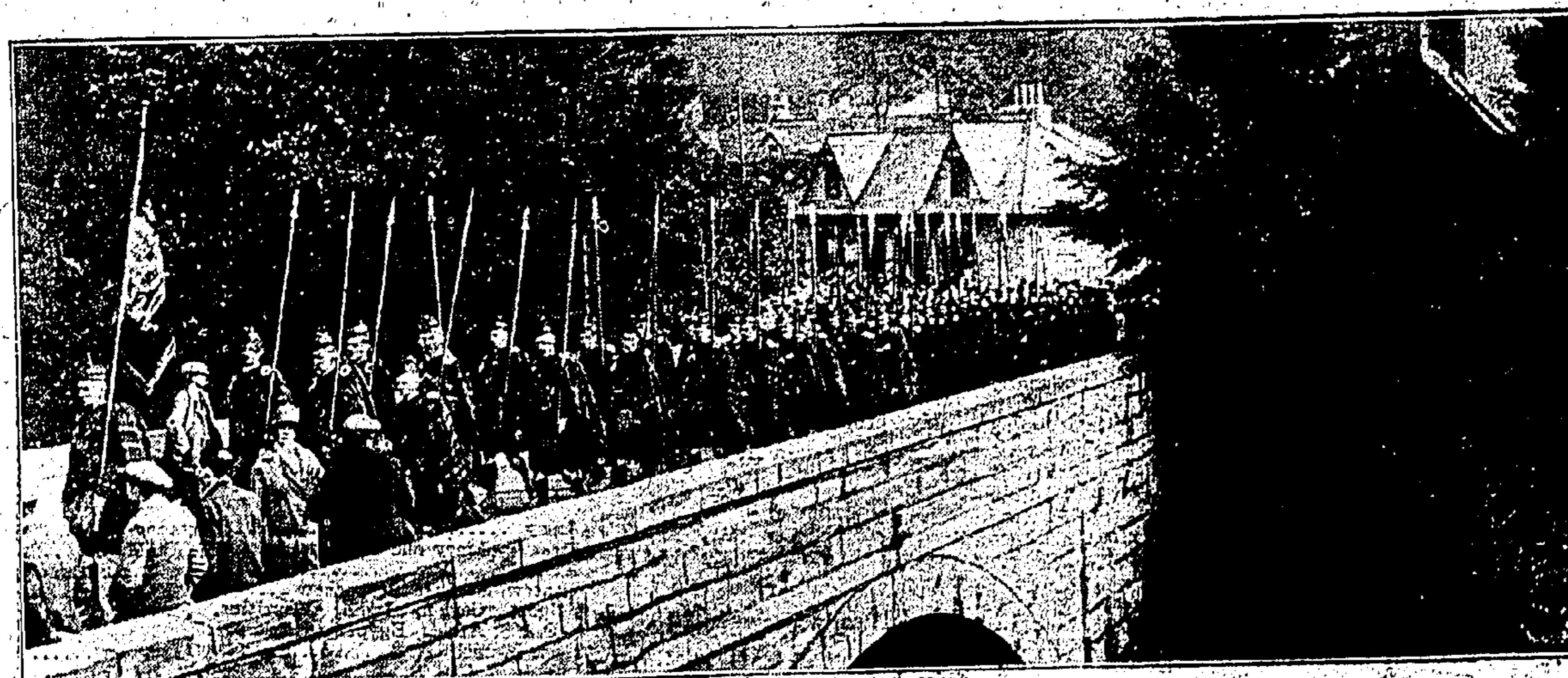
GREAT NAVAL FILM.—The story of the sinking of Admiral Cradock's ships off Coronel in November 1914, and the speedy vengeance exacted by the destruction of Admiral von Spee's squadron by Admiral Sturdee at the victory of the Falkland Islands, is the subject of a great British naval film which is being released shortly. Our picture shows Sturdee's battle-cruisers *Inflexible* and *Invincible* (represented by H. M. S. *Malaya* and H. M. S. *Barham*) in pursuit of von Spee. (Times copyright).



GIVEN HIS ORDERS.—Lord Fisher, the then First Sea Lord, and Admiral Sturdee,—another extract from the film showing two of the leading personalities in the above dramatic story. (Times copyright).



FRENCH CELEBRATION AT MEAUX.—The 13th. anniversary of the Battle of the Marne was celebrated at the town of Meaux on September 11, M. Painlevé, the Minister of War, heading the official party which visited the principal war monuments. Our photograph shows the celebrations at the war memorial of Meaux, with the cathedral in the background. General Gouraud is on the left. (Times copyright).



BRAEMAR GATHERING.—The Duff Highlanders crossing the bridge during the march of the clansmen into the Princess Royal Park for the Braemar Gathering. The Gathering was attended by the King and Queen, the Duke and Duchess of York, and other members of the Royal Family. (Times copyright).



SHANGHAI ROTARIAN DINNER.—Rotarians gave a "Fathers and Daughters" Dinner at the Astor House, Shanghai, recently, when the above picture was taken.

Summits

COAT DRESS SHIRTS

This is a sensible and convenient development of the "pull over" shirt. It means that one can put on one's shirt just as a coat and not draw it over the head as in the "pull over" style. The toilet can be completed—as this method does not "ruffle" the hair—without inconvenience before putting on the shirt. Moreover, this style can be cut closer to the body, dispensing with a considerable amount of surplus material and thereby giving a better "set" to the dress suit.

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

The Half Yearly General Meeting of Members will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hongkong Club annex, on Saturday, 29th October, 1927, at 12.30 p.m.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 12th October, 1927.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Seventh Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday 5th November 1927 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club, and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at 12 o'clock noon on Thursday, 25th October 1927.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

NOTICE is hereby given that the offices of the SINCERE INSURANCE & INVESTMENT CO., LTD., and the SINCERE LIFE ASSURANCE CO., LTD., have this day been removed from No. 1, Des Voeux Road, West, to the 4th floor of No. 144, Des Voeux Road, Central, (the National Commercial & Savings Bank Building). All communications to the Companies should hereafter be sent to the latter address.

The SINCERE INSURANCE AND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

The SINCERE LIFE ASSURANCE CO., LTD.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following Debentures were drawn at the Pavilion on Thursday, the 13th day of October, 1927:

No.	No.	No.
40	365	573
48	368	623
56	390	625
89	391	652
134	415	663
175	418	677
245	466	775
300	503	778
316	510	834
353	522	837

Holders of drawn Debentures who desire to be paid on the 31st October, 1927, are requested to inform the Treasurers, Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, on or before Saturday, 22nd October, 1927.

AND NOTICE is hereby given that the Debentures numbered as above which are not cashed on the 31st October, 1927, will be paid on the 30th April, 1928, after which date they will cease to bear interest.

By Order of the Committee,

L. S. GREENHILL,
Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong, 14th October, 1927.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG & CANTON ICE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office 2, Lower Albert Road, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, 22nd Day of October, 1927, at Noon. For the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 31st July, 1927.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 8th October to the 22nd October, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

J. D. THOMSON,
Acting Secretary
Hongkong, 6th October, 1927.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

From EUROPE and STRAITS.

The Steamship,

"FUSHIMI MARU," having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd Oct. 1927, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co's representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns. No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Hongkong, October 10, 1927.

LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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LAMMERT BROS.,
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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1150 s.
Chartered Bank, £200 n.
Mercantile A. & B., \$31
Mercantile C., \$134 n.
P. and O., \$104 n.
East Asia, \$68 n.

Marine Ins.

Canton Ins., \$570 n.
China Underwriters, \$1.20 b.
North China, Tls. 143 n.

Union Ins.

\$292 b.
Yangtze Ins., \$451 b.

Fire Ins.

China Fires, \$215 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$590 n.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$33 b.
H. K. Steamboat, \$21 s.
H. K. Tugs, \$1.30 s.

Indo-Chinas, (Pref.)

\$30 n.

Shell Trans., 90/- n.

Star Ferries, \$54 n.

Waterboats, \$17 p.

Refineries.

China Sugars, \$13 s.

Malabous, \$30 n.

Mining.

Benguet, \$1.65 n.

Kailan, \$2.6 n.

Langkawi, Tls. 174 n.

Shai Exploration, Tls. 3 n.

Shanghai Loans, Tls. 5 1/2 n.

Raubs, \$37 n.

Tronch, 19/3 n.

Ural Casians, 3/- n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$120 s.

Whampoa Docks, \$35 n.

Hongkong, Tls. 145 b.

New Engineering, Tls. 44 b.

Shanghai Docks Tls. 92 b.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, 6/- n.

H. K. Lands, \$561 s.

Realty, \$8 n.

Territorial, \$1 1/2 s.

Humphreys, \$1240 s.

Princes Blgds., \$110 b.

Rural Lands, \$1 1/2 n.

Cottons.

Two Cottons, Tls. 57 1/2 n.

Orionals, Tls. \$1.60 b.

Shai Cottons, Tls. 54 n.

Buses, Trams.

China Buses, Tls. 51 n.

Tramways, \$20.10 b.

Peak Trams, (old) \$14 s.

Singapore Trams, 12/6 n.

TWOPENCE-A-WEEK OPERA.

SIR BEECHAM'S AMBITIOUS VENTURE.

LOSS OF £60,000.

Sir Thomas Beecham is shortly to launch a scheme which aims at linking together all the opera lovers in the country. It is to be a sort of League of Opera Lovers, and the membership fee will be 2d. a week, says a Home paper. He hopes to be able to enrol 150,000 and the annual income will come to about £60,000, the figure which Sir Thomas calculates will be the loss on an opera season which he proposes running in London for five months, and a three months tour of the leading cities in the Provinces.

Members of the League, by virtue of their contributions, will have the first claim on seats, which, it is hoped, will be half the current prices.

The average price of the seats will be 5s., and to quote Sir Thomas, "for the sum, people will be able to hear the very best opera and the very best singers."

The tour will include Scotland.

His Last Venture.

The following are the chief points of his scheme given in an interview to-day:

Opera is subsidised in foreign countries. It cannot be run in England except at a loss. I think there are only 150,000 opera lovers in Great Britain out of a population of 46,000,000.

The history of opera in every country for the last hundred years, said Sir Thomas, has shown that you cannot have very good opera which shall be given all the time from year to year without an immense loss. It is quite hopeless to appeal to the Government, whether it be Conservative, Liberal, or Labour, for funds for music, and I have formed the opinion that what is called the large general public is far too unstable to contribute the continual support necessary for music in this country.

The right source from which permanent support should come is from the minority of real music-lovers scattered all over the country.

The personnel of the operatic company will be 95 per cent. British. The finest singers in the world are in the British Empire, notably Australia. Nine-tenths of the foreign opera had not been heard in this country. It was his aim to introduce the best of the works and also the best of the singers.

This is my last venture to put opera on a proper basis.

If the scheme is successful, Sir Thomas explained, with the assistance of some friends and also the League, he intends to build a large opera house in London.

Equal to the Best.

Sir Thomas aims at establishing an operatic institution which will be equal to any in the world. At first Sir Thomas will rent a large theatre, but if he receives sufficient financial support a special theatre will be built in London for the performances.

If the scheme does not succeed in this country, Sir Thomas will go to the United States, where he says he can put it into operation within seven days. He intends to appeal to music lovers next month, and if sufficient support is forthcoming, he will put on his first opera next spring, and he will try the scheme for probationary five years as a start. His programmes will take the form of bringing in more and more operas that have never before been heard in this country.

According to the *Daily Sketch*, the new opera house will be a centre of music, a rendezvous, and a restaurant. The site is available, the plans are ready, the money is ready, and Sir Thomas Beecham is ready.

All through the summer, since he made his dramatic promise of the biggest thing he has attempted

SPAIN'S NEW ROAD PROPOSALS.

TRACKS FOR MOTOR CARS ONLY.

Madrid, Sept. 28. Two draft proposals for the construction of a track 250 miles long and 40 feet wide, for the exclusive use of motor cars from Madrid to Valencia and from Gijon to Oviedo will immediately be submitted to the commission.

The track from Madrid to Irún, which concession was recently granted, will reduce the distance between Madrid and the French frontier by about 125 miles compared with the ordinary road.

The time of transit will be reduced to five hours for touring cars and to between eight and ten hours for passenger-carrying motor cars.

The cost is estimated at 249 million pesetas.

It is expected that the track will be completed in five years.

UNION CHURCH PASTORATE.

LOOKING FOR A SUCCESSOR

The current issue of the *Union Church Record* contains the following:

As the term of the Revd. J. Kirk Maconachie's tenure of the pastorate is drawing to a close a meeting of seafarers was held on Friday, 12th August to consider what procedure should be adopted with regard to the future.

Mr. E. Banfield Cubley presided and outlined the position and after due consideration it was agreed that the Chairman and Messrs. J. L. McPherson and G. M. Shaw be appointed to interview Mr. Maconachie and request his continuance for some time longer, so that any change could be made in the autumn instead of the spring, as that appears to be a better time for a new pastor to begin his duties, and to make whatever arrangements were mutually satisfactory.

Mr. Maconachie has willingly assented to this course and the Committee will enter into negotiations in due course for the engagement of a pastor to arrive if possible next autumn.

THE QUEEN'S.

AN ENTERTAINING COMEDY.

A comedy which is rather impossible though decidedly entertaining, "Miss Brewster's Millions" screened for the first time at the Queen's yesterday, depicts Miss Bebe Daniels in a role such as those which have won for her general recognition of high talent.

As the poor girl who has been suddenly given a million dollars to spend, and that in the quickest possible time, she is seen plunging from one reckless extravagance to another, with results which are sometimes totally unexpected. She does what a poor girl who has been suddenly given money to spend, would do, only with this difference, that she does everything wholesale, so to speak, of course, in the end love comes as a steady influence, and everything ends happily, as usual.

Together with a Gaumont Gazette and an Aesop's Fable, "Brewster's Millions" is in the programme which will be repeated to-day.

ed yet, Sir Thomas has been maturing his plans. They are now (the *Daily Sketch* understands) ripe for announcement.

It is a well-known belief of Sir Thomas's that Britain is rich enough to afford music, and ought to afford music. He is prepared to go to any lengths for the art he loves. Every one knows what he has done in the past. This time he purposes to eclipse all that he has done before.

IT ALL DEPENDS ON FASHION.

HOW CHANGING STYLES UPSET MANY TRADES.

LACE WORKERS IN POVERTY.

Changing fashions contribute to the complication of the unemployment problem so much so that a speaker at the Welfare Conference at Oxford suggested an insurance scheme to ensure continuity of employment.

The man who leaves off woollen underwear and cashmere socks for silk, and the woman who uses elastic for her frock and lingerie instead of buttons and hooks and eyes, unconsciously add to the difficulty.

Half the men and girl workers in the lace factories in Nottingham are reduced to the depths of poverty because women buy not and easement curtains now instead of the lace ones which were so popular ten years ago, said a head of one of the largest wholesale distributing agents in London to the Press Association woman representative to-day.

The straw hats which men used to wear have faded out of existence in the last year or two, a West End hatter said, and I hear nothing else from travellers who come here from Luton and Bedfordshire but stories of distress, not only of the factory workers who are on short time or out of employment altogether, but of the home-workers too.

The sweated workers in the back streets of Birmingham, who used to card hooks and eyes and put a hundred hairpins into a little cardboard box, have had to look for different trades.

Women simply will not buy clothes or underwear with fastenings these days, said a buyer in one of the large drapery establishments. Everything must slip on quickly and easily, and it is only the very old-fashioned women, getting on in years, who ask for things which hook or button.

No More Hairpins.

Modern hairdressing has done away with the hairpin and the hair net. Tiny invisible pins are still bought a good deal, said a hairdresser, but I haven't a box of the ordinary ones in my place. It must be months since we were asked for them.

Knitting silk for making jumpers was one of our principal branches of work after the war until a year or so ago, a knitting wool and silk manufacturer said. Now not one woman in a hundred knits a silk jumper. The craze has died out, and the girls who used to work in our knitting silk factory have had to go. We absorb a few, of course, into other parts of the works, but nothing like the number we originally employed.

Bead embroidery on frocks enabled us to keep a great many girls hard at work the last three winters, but I doubt if we shall want them this year, a dressmaker said. Bead embroidery is not so fashionable as it was. It has been superseded, and so our head workers will have to go.

The use of artificial silk by girls and women in every walk of life has made a vast difference to the cotton and woolen industries.

The shorter skirt has meant lost work for many in the Bradford textile factories.

There are practically no veil-makers these days.

The Whitby jet industry has been dying for several years—jet is too heavy for present-day fashion, and sequins are made of dyed gelatine.

Buttons, a manufacturer said, vary from season to season. If one of the Paris dressmakers uses them we are in for a few weeks rush. If he doesn't, then our people have to go on short time or be dismissed altogether. It depends upon the fashion.

DROWNING TRAGEDY IN INDIA.

AMERICAN NURSE'S GALLANT ACTION.

Bombay, Oct. 3. A drowning tragedy occurred at Vingurla, on the Bombay coast line, about 200 miles south of the city, when Miss Rebentisch, the Sister-in-Charge of the Vingurla American Mission Hospital, lost her life.

It appears that a few days ago a small group of missionaries, including ladies, went for a bathe in the sea. Among them was Dr. R. H. Goheen, M.D., the chief of the hospital, and one of the leading surgeons in Western India.

After swimming for some time, the party got separated, and Dr. Goheen, in attempting to rejoin the group, lost his bearings and cried for help. Miss Rebentisch rushed to the rescue, but before she could approach him, was washed away by a huge wave.

Mrs. Goheen, who was on the shore, seeing the bathers' predicament, got the fishermen to go out in their boats.

Dr. Goheen was rescued in time in an unconscious condition, but Miss Rebentisch could not be found.

Some time later the body was recovered, but life was extinct.

Miss Rebentisch had served in the Mission Hospital as a Nursing Superintendent for over 19 years.

The funeral was attended by about 4,000 persons and the homage paid was the most touching ever witnessed in the district.

FAIR AT SAIGON.

GROWING RUBBER OUTPUT.

We have received from the local branch of the Assurance Franco-Asiatique, one of a number of leaflets and pamphlets issued in connexion with the First Annual Fair of Cochin-China, which is to be held on the 17th December and continued for one month, up till the 15th January, 1928, at Saigon. Apparently inspired by a similar Fair now held annually at Hanoi, the capital of French Indo-China, the Saigon Fair will be in the nature of an exposition of the natural resources of the country. An interesting exhibit which it is hoped to see at the Fair will be rubber of high quality, which after over ten years of cultivation, is now being tapped in fair quantities in the country for the needs of the automobile and other manufacturers in France.

Industries are beginning to give attention to eye hazards associated with various occupations. The wearing of suitable glasses by those working on machines from which fragments sometimes fly into the eyes has prevented thousands of cases of blindness. In this connection, education of the public is the essential step. More and more people are beginning to realize that a moment's thought concerning the prevention of disease may be the means of saving hours of illness and vast sums of money spent for relief or cure.

TRAGIC DRAMA OF THE SEA.

CAPTAIN AND WIRELESS MAN MURDERED.

Paris, Oct. 1. A tragic drama of the tropics is revealed in a report from French West Africa.

As the French cargo steamer "Beau Soleil" was approaching the Gabon coast on September 25th, the second mate mounted the bridge, and, without uttering a word, shot the captain dead with a revolver, also the wireless operator, who rushed up on hearing the shot.

The second mate then jumped into the sea and was drowned. The chief engineer had died some days before of a mysterious complaint which nobody was able to diagnose.

Being short of officers, the "Beau Soleil" took refuge in the nearest port.

OUR DAILY TALK ON HEALTH.

BLINDNESS REDUCED BY PRE-SCHOOL CLINICS.

EFFECTS OF CARE.

One of the saddest spectacles in the afflictions of mankind is early blindness caused by improper care of the eyes in new-born infants.

The National Committee for the Prevention of Blindness has been giving attention to this subject for many years, and reports that the amount of blindness for 1926 due to the infection of the eyes in childbirth was 12.9 per cent., a gradual reduction from 23 per cent. in 1908 to 1912.

The general diseases continue to be responsible, however, for most of the blindness from which human beings suffer, since other general conditions are responsible for loss of sight besides that which causes the common type of blindness of infancy.

One of the most important steps in preventing defective vision has been the establishment of preschool eye clinics, particularly in New York. Children are brought to these kindergartens or clinics before they are ready to begin their education. In this manner thousands of cases of bad eyesight are detected, and the children provided with suitable eyeglasses, or their infectious diseases of the eye cured before they undertake the burden upon the sight.

It has been estimated that at least 5,000 sight-saving clinics will be necessary to accommodate all the children of the country, whereas thus far there are approximately only 234 available. Recently Noguchi, the celebrated Japanese investigator of the Rockefeller Institute, announced the discovery of a bacterial organism which he believes is responsible for the disease of the eyes known as trachoma. While this discovery has not as yet been confirmed by other investigators, the evidence presented is so convincing that competent specialists in diseases of the eye are willing to accept it at its face value. If the organism can be confirmed as the actual cause of this disease, thousands of cases of blindness will be prevented through the application of this knowledge to the control of trachoma.

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THE NEW FORM OF PALMISTRY.

DISEASES DIAGNOSED FROM THE HANDS.

The remarkable claim that not only character, but signs of health and disease are manifested in the lines of the hand, is made by Mr. Noel Jaquin, an expert in the science of hand reading, in an article entitled "The Newest Wonder of Hand Reading," which he contributes to the September *Pearson's Magazine*.

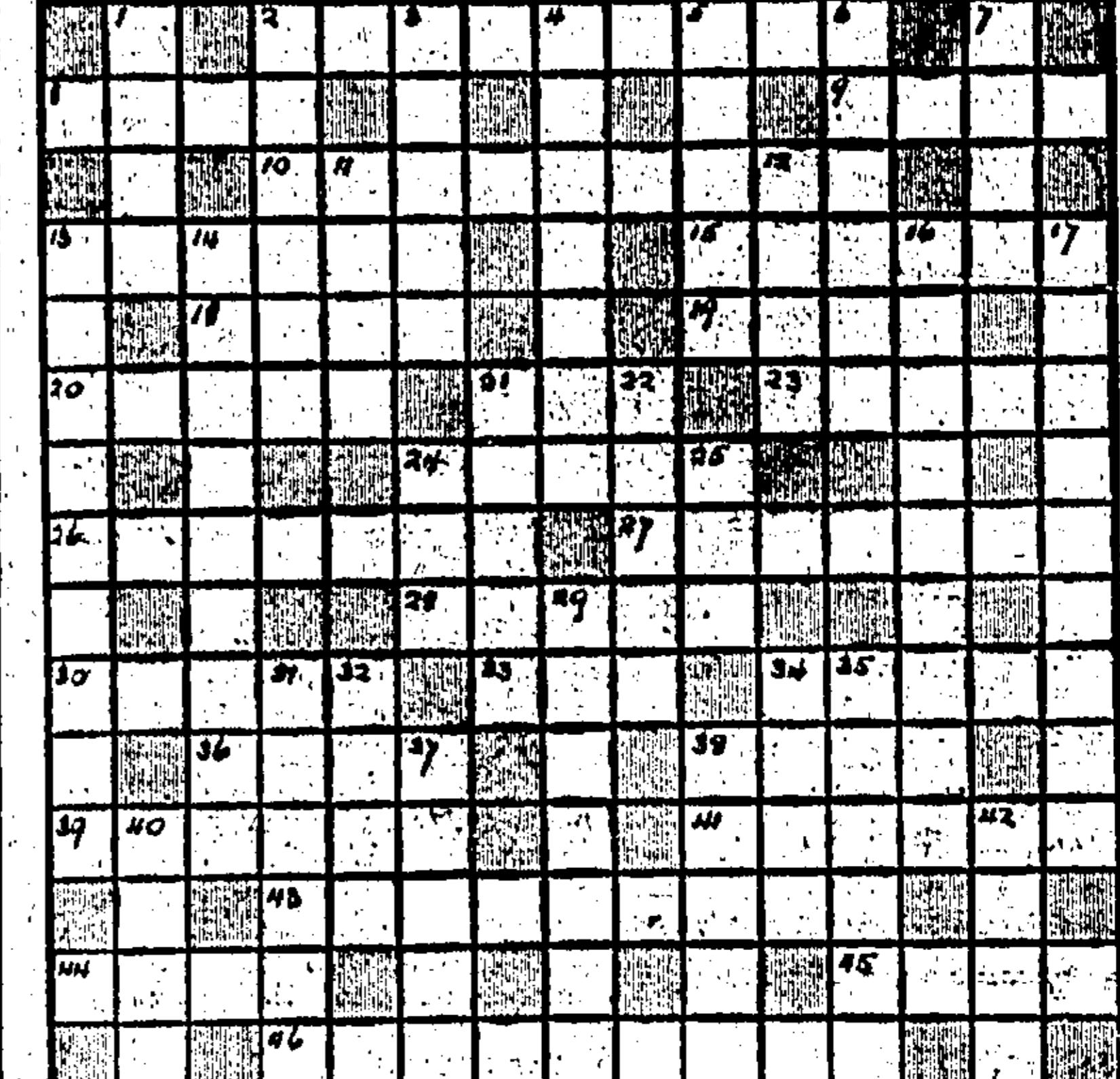
Medical science, writes Mr. Jaquin, has always noted the colour and shape of the fingernails in certain diseases, but until recent years has any serious consideration been given to the actual lines of the hand as what I may call nerve indications and physical troubles.

Facial characteristics express broadly the mind of the individual, and in some cases clearly denote the presence of disease, but the hand gives a far more complete and detailed expression. The marks in the hand are neither the result of chance nor are they caused by the action of opening and closing the hand. They are the result of nervous reflex action, the nerves reacting to emotion.

The sense of touch is the most highly developed of the physical senses, and in the exercising of this sense the hand is mostly used. This knowledge given by the hand should form a most valuable guide in the training of a child because a scientific survey of the hand can prevent mistakes in the choice of a career.

The hand of the child reveals the developing mind with all its latent potentialities for good or evil, and also its fitness, both physical and mental, for any definite career. This knowledge given by the hand should form a most valuable guide in the training of a child because a scientific survey of the hand can prevent mistakes in the choice of a career.

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5	3	16	Calamities.
6	3	17	Female relatives.
7	3	18	Skin-flint.
8	3	19	Gardening instrument.
9	3	20	Pronoun.
10	3	21	Heaved.
11	3	22	Bulbs.
12	3	23	Heavenly orb.
13	3	24	Meadows.
14	3	25	Ascends.
15	3	26	Two bushel measure.
16	3	27	Body of scientific rules.
17	3	28	Laments the loss of.
18	3	29	Occupies space.
19	3	30	Residences.

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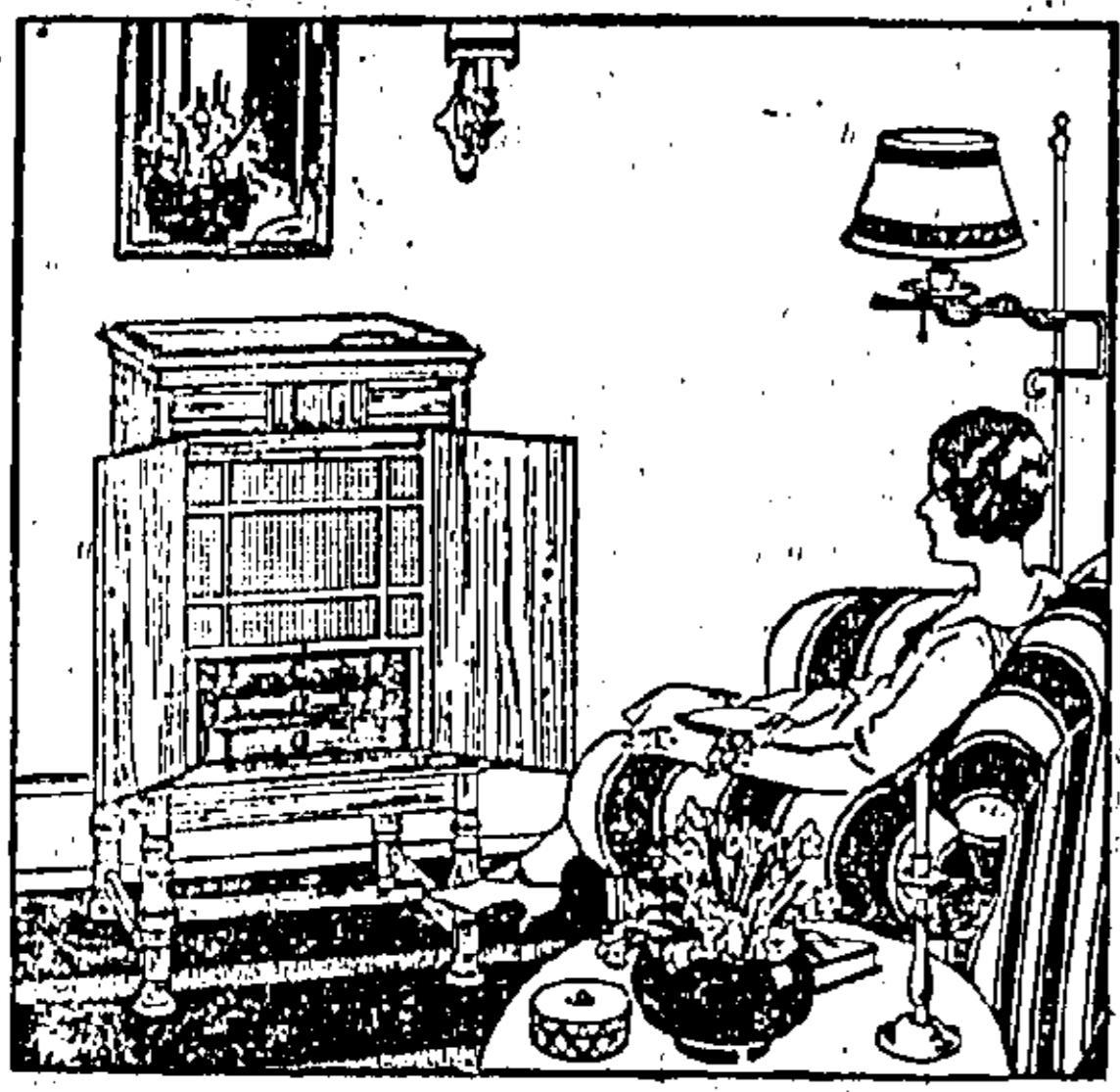
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themselves. Now we have added the possibility of the inhabitants of the city being called upon to take sides. There is rule within rule, apparently, with the result that in the long run there is very little rule. The outbreak by extremists of the notorious seamen's union is a case in point, of what can happen when no-one rules adequately. Yet there is also a suspicion that those who could, do not desire to effect any better control of the agitators. It may be that these people are required to play their part in whatever plans are afoot. Nevertheless, it all tends to strengthen the impression that Canton's much-advertised "reform" of administration is still a very long way from likely accomplishment.

Something Wrong.

We would like to make further, and editorial, reference to the fact that, as reported by us on Friday last, the military authorities have withheld from us all information of the circumstances attending the death of two Indian soldiers who were killed on Stonecutters on the night of September 27th, apart from confirming the bare fact that the men were killed by a "blow back" of the 6-inch gun on which they were engaged in firing practice. We do not doubt for a moment but that the military authorities have, as is their wont, made the fullest enquiry themselves into the matter and that they have taken whatever steps, if any, might have been discovered necessary to prevent the repetition of such an accident. But (and our local military authorities are sometimes apt to forget this) the general public has a right to know certain things about the naval and military services it maintains for its own protection. It has, for example a right to know that soldiers are not carelessly exposed to danger of death when practising with guns or fire-arms of any kind, and when a sad tragedy occurs like that at Stonecutters on September 27th, the public has a right to know the circumstances surrounding that tragedy. When a submarine sinks there is an enquiry at which the public and Press have a right to attend; when a Court Martial is held and a serviceman's record is at stake, the public and Press have a right to be present. That right is part of our British system of justice, because there must be no "hole in the corner" methods. An accused man has the right of public hearing. And when two Indian soldiers are hurled to their death by something that went wrong during firing practice, the public has a right to know what that something was, and the dead men's comrades have a right to know also. But military "red tape" and officiousness is, in this instance depriving the public of its rights, and we conceive it to be our duty to say so quite openly. We asked for permission to land on Stonecutters to go to the enquiry and that was refused, and we have since applied repeatedly for an account of the enquiry and its finding and we have been told that it is not for publication. We have never been given an official account of the accident. Two men have been killed, and that, apparently, is all that we are allowed to know. We suggest that there is something wrong somewhere.

OBITUARY.

DISTINGUISHED ARMY MEDICAL OFFICER.

The death has occurred of Major-General Sir William Grant Macpherson.—Reuter.

Major-General Macpherson, late of the Army Medical Service, was born in Ross-shire, in 1858, and was educated at Fettes College, at Edinburgh University, and then in Germany. His whole service has been with the medical department of the army, and he had much to do with commissions appointed to go abroad, for example to Morocco. His Eastern service included attachment to the Japanese army in the Russo-Japanese war, and he was also at the time senior medical officer of the North China Command. After that he served abroad, and in other parts of the Empire, with much distinction, and saw service in the Great War, being mentioned in despatches nine times. His degrees in the medical line were an imposing list, and his honours included the K.C.M.C., C.B., and Italian, American, and Japanese decorations.

The late Major-General Macpherson was editor-in-chief of the Official Medical History of the War. Some of his later service was at the War Office, in connexion with the medical services.

The a.s. Indo-China, of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company arriving from Canton has made the port to effect repairs, and is now berthed at Bailey's yard.

DAY BY DAY.

CHEERFULNESS IS HEALTH; THE OPPOSITE, MELANCHOLY, IS DISEASE.—Haliburton.

Three were no reports of notable disease over the week-end.

The weather forecast up to noon to-morrow is: N. E. winds, fresh; fine.

The m.v. Esquino (Doddwell and Co.) from Shanghai is expected here to-morrow.

The s.s. Empress of Asia left Vancouver on Thursday last and is due here on October 31st.

Mr. J. P. Beattie, one of the Sun-ship piracy heroes, has been transferred from the s.s. Taishan to the s.s. Kiangsu.

The Chinese who was recently reported to have escaped from the Police Station at Cheungchau, has been recaptured.

The m.v. Formosa (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Antwerp on the 30th September, and is due here on or about the 8th November.

A Chinese, who fell off the new bridge now under construction at Taipo Kau, was removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital on Saturday, with injuries to his head.

The s.s. President Taft, arriving from the U. S. and Japan this morning, carried a heavy mail, consisting of 939 bags. This was distributed during the forenoon.

The manager of a rattan shop at No. 1 Sui Sheung Fong Street, has reported to the police that a foki has disappeared, taking with him a sum of \$2,817 collected from various customers.

The Hop Sang, arriving from the north, reports sighting a mast, probably of a sunken junk, projecting 25 feet above water and attached to wreckage beneath the surface, in Latitude 31.49 North, Longitude 122.23 East.

Running across the street in front of the car, a Chinese boy was injured during the week-end, through being knocked down by Mr. Brooks' car. The accident occurred in the main street of Shaukiwan, the boy being taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

Six Chinese, who are believed to be amongst the detachment of "Red" soldiers who recently arrived at Shaukiwan in a junk, were taken into custody on Saturday, after being found wandering in the streets of Shaukiwan. Like the others, they will be deported to Canton.

This morning's Harbour Office report gave 14 arrivals and 12 departures, of which five and three respectively were British, leaving 69 vessels in harbour of which 20 were British. Cargo were generally low, with the best inward Dutch and the best through Japanese.

An entry in the official log of the s.s. President Taft, arriving from the U. S. via ports this morning, is as follows: Wednesday, September 28th, 1927, Latitude 49.46' N., Longitude 130.02' W., a female child was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lee. Dr. Wintermute, ship's surgeon, states that the mother and child are doing nicely.

The Criminal Sessions commence at the Supreme Court to-morrow morning, when the case concerning the attempted robbery at a house in Laichikok Road, in which an alleged escaping robber was shot, will be heard. There is one prisoner, Tang Sang, and he will be tried on charge of assault by two or more with intent to rob, and common assault. The case will be heard by the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Wood.

A leakage in the gasoline tank of motor bus No. 80, belonging to the Kowloon Motor Bus Company, caused the car, which was on its way from the Kowloon ferry to Shumshui, to catch fire just outside the Yau Ma Tei Government School at Yau Ma Tei. The driver was not aware that there was a leakage at the tank until the blaze started. When the alarm was given two fire appliances arrived on the scene and succeeded in stopping the fire without difficulty. There were no passengers on the car at the time.

Mr. R. B. Salisbury and his new London company arrived in Hongkong yesterday afternoon aboard the Fusima Maru. This is the first time that a company has come direct from London to Hongkong and Mr. Salisbury's enterprise should be rewarded by large audiences. The repertoire consists of the latest London running successes and also includes many old favourites like "No, No, Nanette," and "The Ghost Train." "One Dam Thing after Another," which the company will present, is breaking all records at the Pavilion Theatre, London, and has proved Mr. C. B. Cochran's biggest success of his career.

GUILTY, WITH A RESERVATION.

CARGO-BOAT MASTER FINED.

At the Marine Court this morning, before Commdr. G. F. Holo, the master of a cargo boat, charged with making fast alongside the s.s. Chung On, while that vessel was under way, pleaded guilty, but stated that the vessel had already made fast to the shore when the alleged offence occurred.

His Worship asked the master, under such circumstances, he pleaded guilty, but received only ambiguous answers. Asked if he understood the charge, the accused admitted that he did, since he considered that the charge related to his being made fast alongside the vessel.

"Why all this claptrap about the ship being already fast then?" asked his Worship.

A fine of \$10, with the alternative of 10 days imprisonment, was inflicted.

ARMED ROBBERS.

VISIT KOWLOON CITY DISTRICT.

A farmer living at No. 11 Loong Chau Cheng, in the Kowloon City district, has reported to the police that he was visited by armed robbers last night.

They entered through a door which was left open, and after bundling all the family into the cockpit, took a bunch of keys from the farmer, with which they attempted to open the safe.

On being assured that the key of the safe was not amongst the ones taken, but was with a man who was absent from the house, the robbers finally gave up further attempts to open the safe, and went away with only \$10.

In his report to the local police station, the farmer said that the robbers, who appeared to be Hakkas, were armed with revolvers.

WASH AMAH CHARGED.

ALLEGED BREACH OF TRUST.

Recently, a Chinese woman was sent to prison and subsequently deported from the Colony on a charge of keeping an immoral establishment in Wing Shing Street.

Before she went into prison she is stated to have handed a cheque for \$1,250 and some pieces of jewellery to her for her own use; and this morning appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell on those charges.

A man who is stated to be a nephew of the amah, was also jointly charged with the woman. Both were remanded on a police application.

YOUNG KING OF ANAM.

Paris, Oct. 3: His Majesty Bao-Dai, the young Emperor of Annam, who succeeded to the throne on the death of his father, H. M. Khai-Dinh, last year, has returned to Paris with suite.

The Emperor is resuming his European education at the Lycee Condorcet.—Indo-pacific.

"RED" RUSSIAN POLITICS.

TROTSKY TO BE BARRED.

Paris, Oct. 2: The Executive Committee of the Third Internationale has unanimously voted for the exclusion of Trotsky and Volyeitov.

Borodin has arrived at Verkhoudinsk from Urga.—Indo-pacific.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Oct. 6.
Paris	124.075
New York	4.873/3
Brussels	34.90
Geneva	25.26
Amsterdam	12.15
Milan	89.125
Berlin	20.40
Stockholm	19.085
Copenhagen	18.16
Oslo	18.51
Vienna	34.515
Prague	164.5/16
Helsingfors	198.20
Madrid	28.30
Athens	.367
Bucharest	.793
Bio	5.57/04
Buenos Aires	47.29/32
Bombay	1/15.16
Shanghai	2/0
Hongkong	1/11.25
Vancouver	1/10.15/10
Silver (spot)	25%
Silver (forward)	25.18/10
	British Wireless

The Very Idea!

A boy went into a stationer's shop and asked for a penny bottle of gum. On receiving the gum he said he had made a mistake and wanted a penny bottle of ink. The ink was given back to him, whereupon the lad gave back the gum and was walking out when the shopman called him, "How about paying for that ink, laddie?" said the shopman. "I gave you the gum for it," was the reply. "But you never paid for the gum."

"I know, and I never took it away."

At this point the shopman saw the joke and said, "Here, laddie, here's sixpence to you if you'll go across the way and do the same to old Tomkins."

The boy pocketed the money and then when he got to the shop-door turned and replied, "Thanks very much. But Tomkins gave me a shilling to do it to you."

Harry Persson, the heavyweight champion of Scandinavia, beat "Bud" Gorman, of America, at Stockholm recently, the fight being stopped in the fifth round after Gorman had fallen and badly injured a knee.

When the Swede was awarded the fight Gorman sat in his corner and cried, while Persson refused to accept his friends' congratulations.

The crowd, thinking at first that the American was blufing, rushed towards the ring, clamouring that the fight should be resumed.

Nottingham Justices' clerk: Have you any goods? Man: Yes, but they are not paid for!

Midland complainant: He stood in front of me and struck me in the eye from the back.

Willesden magistrate: Was your husband amiable yesterday? Wife: Not exactly. He said he meant to strangle me before the day was out, and I had to call in a policeman to prevent him doing so.

Solicitor at Thames Police Court to wife: Is your husband a temperamental man? Wife: If that is another name for a blaring bully, yes.

Man at Tottenham: It's been raining. Magistrate: That's not news.

Two farmers had been enjoying a festive evening. They had a very dark night, but the horse knew the way. Side by side they sat in the cart, and went along at a

AN "UNFAIR" PROSECUTION?

SUBMISSION IN COURT TO-DAY.

The case in which F. Chan, a former employee of the Wing On Company, in charge of the ship-chandlery department, is charged with conspiracy against the Wing On Company, was continued before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning.

Mr. F. C. Jenkins (instructed by E. Davidson) prosecuted, whilst the defence was conducted by Mr. M. K. Lo.

This morning, Mr. Lo addressed the court for an hour and outlined his defence. He claimed that the prosecution had not made out a case and consequently there was no case to answer. Mr. Lo quoted from several authorities to support his argument and took the Court step by step over the evidence given by the complainant's witnesses.

Mr. Lo mentioned that it appeared to him that the prosecution purposely and designedly kept away certain evidence from His Worship. He submitted that His Worship could not draw sufficient evidence from the "fragmentary" evidence furnished by the complainant.

Continuing, Mr. Lo said that Mr. Wilson, of the Dollar Company, should have been called by the prosecution and he asked his Worship to say that was a deliberate suppression of evidence by the prosecution.

Mr. Lo referred to certain documents which he said could be proved by Mr. Wilson and he submitted that the prosecution was unfair.

When the court rose at 1 p.m. Mr. Lo had not completed his address.

PROVISIONAL COURT SENSATION.

CHIEF JUSTICE IN IGNORANCE OF DEVELOPMENTS.

Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister of Justice of the Nationalist Government, in discussing the Provisional Court problem with a representative of the *North-China Daily News*, last week, said:

"The Nationalist Government received numerous complaints from many sources with regard to the Provisional Court and instructed me to make an investigation. I appointed a commission headed by Mr. Wang Wai-shin, Chief of the Criminal Department of the Ministry of Justice, to undertake the investigation and to produce an impartial report. But just as this commission took up its work, the Provincial Government, within whose province the Provisional Court is, under the Tendition Agreement, dismissed Chief Judge Loo Hsing-yuan and appointed Miss Soumi Tcheng. I have nothing to do with the appointment or the dismissal and, under no voice in either. The Provincial Government did not and need not consult me. I have had no formal notification of the action they have taken."

It is understood from other sources that no notification of the dismissal of Judge Loo Hsing-yuan or the appointment of Miss Soumi Tcheng has been received by any Nationalist official in Shanghai and, therefore, there can be no change in the court's personnel until this notification has been sent.

OPIUM GANGS IN RIVALRY.

COMPETITION STOPPED BY H.M.S. HAWKINS.

Two rival opium gangs operating on pontoons attached to MacKenzie's Wharf early last Tuesday morning, threatened to board the I.C.S. Pingwo, at Shanghai, whereupon H.M.S. Hawkins despatched a landing party to the vessel and soon put a stop to all such intentions. The gangs fired, about 20 shots at each other. Throughout the night searchlights from vessels in the harbour played upon the spot from different angles.

It seems from two accounts of the affair that a Shanghai gang and a Pouting gang had heard that a quantity of opium had arrived from Hankow in the Pingwo. The Shanghai crowd, after arriving on the pontoon, asserted their priority in so far as the ship belonged to a Shanghai company, Messrs. Jardine's. The Pouting clique argued that the vessel was tied up there, so they had first claim.

Someone became obstreperous and shooting followed. As soon as the Hawkins used her searchlights the firing ceased. When the lights were turned off, more shots were heard.

Then it appears that both parties wanted to board the Pingwo and make a search for opium. The First Officer, however, insisted that only the authorized Customs officers would be allowed on board. When they threatened, he released a pre-arranged signal and the landing party settled the matter. It is understood that the gangs made off about 3 a.m.

A CRIME WAVE.

GOVERNMENT ACTION IN MALAYA.

MAY CHECK IMMIGRANTS.

In the course of his Budget speech at Singapore last week, the Governor of the Straits Settlements said:

A rich and sparsely populated area, such as the Malay Peninsula, can continue almost indefinitely to absorb a steady and abundant inflow of immigrants, and is, indeed, to be accounted fortunate that a perennial stream of thrifty and sturdy workers is assured to it, owing to the economic conditions of their native land. Of late, however, the disturbed state of things prevailing in the Southern Provinces of China has tended artificially to stimulate this tide of immigration, and has simultaneously operated to check, in some degree, the periodical return to their native country, in which many Chinese have habitually indulged.

It has also had the effect of changing to some extent the character of a portion of the Chinese immigrants to Malaya, a certain number of those who reach these shores being, not honest labourers, genuinely in search of work, for whom we have at all times a welcome, but men of a criminal type whom recent events in their own country have inured to violence and have enamoured of disorder.

One of the results of this has been the recent outbreak of serious crime in Singapore, of which Chinese immigrants from Southern China have been at once the perpetrators and the victims; and in this connexion it must be remembered that, while Singapore absorbs on its own account a considerable number of immigrant Chinese labourers, the remainder passing on to the Malay States where work is always to be had in abundance, the undesirable immigrant is apt to remain in the island, held here by the attraction which a large town over exerts over the criminally inclined.

Filter for the F.M.S.

To-day, therefore, Singapore is acting in some degree as a filter for the Malay States, retaining the drags and absorbing or releasing for service elsewhere the more desirable elements; and this is a fact which it would not be prudent for the Government of the Straits Settlements to ignore.

Accordingly an Ordinance has been drafted, and will shortly come before hon. members of this Council for consideration, arming the Governor-in-Council with powers to limit or, if deemed necessary, to prohibit immigration. It is my earnest hope that it will not become necessary to make use of these powers, but it is considered advisable that this Government should possess them.

The Chinese form to-day a majority of the indigenous inhabitants of British Malaya, and they are perhaps the most enterprising, energetic, provident and frugal of its sons.

Most Straits-born Chinese have a stake in the country, and they have always valued highly, the stable, firm and just system of government which has afforded them so ample a measure of peace and security.

The natural resources of Malaya are still only partially developed, and to a constant flow of immigrants must we look for the completion of the work of opening up the country which has made such wonderful progress during the last half century.

We are entitled, however, to insist upon those who seek the hospitality of our shores conforming to our laws and to our conception of what constitutes good and worthy citizenship; and the Government of the Straits Settlements will allow no purely economic considerations to deter it from taking every possible measure to insure that this hospitality, so generously extended, is not abused.

ADMIRAL SAITO'S POST.

RETURNS TO GOVERN KOREA.

Tokyo, Oct. 1. Admiral Saito, before rejoining his post as Governor-General of Korea, has had an audience with the Emperor, at which he reported on his mission to Geneva.—*Indo-Pacific*.

Admiral Saito, recently passed through Hongkong on his return from Europe.

PAN-ASIA MOVEMENT.

THE PHILIPPINES DELEGATE.

Manila, Oct. 1. The Philippines Labour Unions will send Mr. Cyril Begnet as delegate to the Pan-Asiatic League, which will be held at Shanghai next month.—*Indo-Pacific*.

A LECTURE ON MAN'S REINCARNATION.

ATTAINMENT OF THE PERFECT STATE.

At yesterday's public meeting of the Hongkong Lodge, the Theosophical Society, at the lounge of Lane Crawford's, Mr. John Russell, Vice-President of the Lodge, gave a lecture on "Reincarnation." Mr. David Gubbay, Past Vice-President, being in the chair.

After a brief meditation on world peace, the lecturer in the course of his address, said in brief:

The belief in reincarnation was held by all the greatest minds humanity has produced. It enables us to understand many of the problems of life, even Science demands it now in order to complete its theory of evolution, by aing to the declaration of the evolution of the life within the forms. Reincarnation is a necessity from the moral standpoint if we would keep our belief in divine justice and divine love when we face the many terrible facts of human life and of human pain. Reincarnation is also a necessity for human perfection. It is not a doctrine which belongs to eastern religions alone, but belongs to and was part of the teachings of primitive Christianity as well as of other great religions of the world.

The doctrine of Reincarnation took its place unchallenged for five centuries among the teachings of the great doctors and bishops of the early Christian Church.

It has never quite fallen out of Christian thought and never quite lost its place in Christian literature, and its revival today is but the revival of a truth partially forgotten and not an effort to graft into the Christian faith a doctrine from an alien creed.

The Darwinian theory of the survival of the fittest is quite inadequate to

explain the growth in man of such qualities as self-sacrifice, compassion, love and sympathy, the willingness to give life for the benefit and protection of those weaker than himself, which are the qualities that we recognize as human as against those possessed by the brute. Though moral qualities are often a drawback in the struggle for existence, yet we see that moral character is growing in all men.

It is only the teaching of the persistence of the soul, reincarnation—which makes that growth in moral character possible, when the body perishes in noble self-sacrifice. Transmission of the noble qualities from parent to offspring cannot explain the growth of morality in man,

for the higher the soul qualities,

the greater the geniality, the greater also is the tendency towards limiting the number of offspring, even towards sterility.

Besides this, children of a

genius do as a rule not show the

qualities of the genius, but are

more often than not even below

the average.

Reincarnation teaches that in

every form there is a portion of the

life of God. Like a seed, a germ,

the germinal spirit in man comes

forth into the world encased in

matter, but with all divine pos-

sibilities hidden within, in that

germanil spirit are all divine

powers in latency awaiting to be

aroused into full manifestation,

through lives of experience on

earth, so that man may become

perfect as his Father in heaven

is perfect. But in order that such

perfection may be attained, there

must be growth, experience, evolu-

tion. In each life on earth ex-

perience must be gathered, in the

long interval between death

and rebirth of experience gathered

on earth is woven in the invisible

after-death worlds into the fabric

of the soul; when that germinal

spirit comes back to earth, it

comes with this soul-clothing of

qualities woven out of the experi-

ence gathered in its previous life

on earth, and the inborn ideas of

the child, its innate character and

tendencies are the result of the

weaving into qualities during the

heavenly life—the period spent

after death in a state of higher

mental consciousness—of the

many experiences on earth during

the earth-life that lies behind it.

The New Life.

When the totality of that experience is transmuted into character and tendencies and qualities, then the hunger, the necessity for more experience forces the spirit-soul towards rebirth on earth in a new human body, to carry on its further evolution, with the help of the awakened innate powers and qualities resulting from its previous life on earth.

During the new life on earth the soul gains more experience, undergoes more struggle, gathers new material for further inner growth, then follows again the weaving of that into higher qualities during the interval between "death" and rebirth on earth in a new human form. And so on and on, rung after rung of the ladder of progress, in life after life.

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LADY GOLFERS.

ANNUAL MEETING HELD TO-DAY.

A YEAR'S ACTIVITIES.

A review of a successful year's activities was given by Mrs. F. A. Redmond, presiding at the annual general meeting of members of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club Ladies' Section, at the Helena May Institute, this morning. There was a fairly large attendance.

Mrs. Redmond was supported by members of the committee.

Speaking on the year's activities

Mrs. Redmond said:

Before briefly reviewing the activities of the past year, I should like to take the opportunity of expressing my very sincere thanks to the members of the committee, not only for all the hard work they have done, but for the cheerful and ungrudging way they have done it. I would like to thank especially Mrs. Murdoch, our energetic secretary, and Mrs. Cassidy, who, in addition to undertaking the unpopular duties of handicapping secretary, has kindly arranged all our advertising.

The members of the committee

have certainly made my year, as

captain, a pleasant one, and I can

assure you they have done good

service to the ladies' section.

Competitions.

We heartily congratulate all the prize winners of the year, and at the same time offer our most grateful thanks to those who have so kindly put up the prizes for our numerous competitions.

The list of donors is composed of the following: Mrs. Reed, Mr. Parker, Mrs. Cassidy, Mr. Taggart, Mr. W. W. Hornell, Mr. Tredwell, Mr. Gear, Mrs. Maitland, Mrs. Leggatt, Mrs. Holmes and Mrs. Baylan Smith.

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KEEN STRUGGLE COMING.

[By "Wanderer"]

It seems fairly clear, even at this early stage, which clubs of the Senior Division of the Hongkong Football League will be concerned in the real struggle for the championship. It so happened on Saturday that the three regimental teams, and the only obvious civilian contenders, the Chinese Athletic and the Club de Recreio, were all engaged against other clubs. They were all successful, as expected, and by more or less substantial margins.

Between the five clubs mentioned, the struggle is likely to prove very interesting, particularly as the Chinese Athletic alone can claim to have secured full points.

Woodards, the Queen's Royal Regiment centre-forward, did the "hat-trick" against the H.K.F.C.

The Results.

The full list of results is appended:

Senior Division.

Queen's Regt.	5	Club	2
Chinese Ath.	2	Police	0
Kowloon	0	K.O.S.B.	4
Recreio	2	R.A.F.	0
Scots Guards	3	South China	0

Junior Division "A".

Recreio	3	Kowloon	2
K.O.S.B.	3	University	0
Club	0	S. China "A"	1
R. A. Res.	1	Chinese Ath.	1
S. China "B"	1	St. Joseph's	1

Junior Division "B".

Kowloon	0	Boy Scouts	6
S. China "B"	2	S. China "A"	1

Queen's Strike Form.

The Queen's sharpshooters found their form against the H.K.F.C. the visitors being troubled by five goals to two. The Club gave a sound defensive display for the greater part of the game, but there was a period in the second half when nothing seemed to go right, and the Queen's put on three goals in a very short time.

The lively Queen's forward quintette harassed the Club defence from the outset, but the only score of the first half came 20 minutes after the start, when Woodards defeated Rodger with a splendid shot.

Woodards, Barclay and Larkin all netted in the second half, before Scott, the one dangerous man in the Club front rank, burst through and reduced the lead. Woodard put on his third, and his side's fifth, but just before the final whistle blew, Alexander went through to score a good goal.

The Queen's were not at full strength, but their superiority was apparent throughout. The half-backs gave the opposition little scope and kept their forwards on the move with capital passes. Woodards led the forwards in great style, swinging the ball about with nice judgment, while his presence in the goalmouth always spelt danger.

Both Rodger and Bishop did exceedingly well in the Club defence; McBride was a persistent worrier, while Scott was the most enterprising forward.

Kowloon Outplayed.

Kowloon were outplayed by the K.O.S.B. though there were periods when a fall of Anderson's charge looked imminent.

The R.A.F. are especially strong in defence, the half-back line showing up strongly throughout Saturday's match. The forwards settled down to good combination, but were very erratic in the vicinity of goal.

The Recreio began with their usual spirit and the R.A.F. defenders stood up to the pressure in great style. Gosano eventually got through after a brilliant individual effort.

After the interval, the game was less interesting, though the same pace was maintained.

No Surprises.

There was no real surprise among the Junior teams. A very close game was seen at King's Park between Kowloon Reserves and the Recreio Reserves, the home side winning by the odd goal of five.

Kowloon generally held the upper hand, but their forwards were in front of goal.

The K.O.S.B. Reserves won comfortably, as usual, and the Chinese Athletic were also on the winning side.

SCHOOL SPORT.

D.B.S. v. ST. PAUL'S.

On Friday on the Diocesan Boys' School ground the Diocesan Boys defeated St. Paul's College after a hard and fast soccer match by three goals to two.

Tennis.

On Saturday, St. Stephen's College beat the Diocesan Boys' School by 50 games to 49.

Cricket.

On their own ground, the Diocesan Boys' School were beaten by the 56th. Company, Royal Engineers by the narrow margin of 9 runs. Playfair (34) and Dare (32) did best for the winners and W. H. Kwan (29) and Prata (20) for the School. Lee for the School took 6 wickets for 30 runs and for the R. E.'s Horspool took 6 for 38.

When the K.O.S.B. scored, the goal came in the nature of a surprise, McGlinchey tricking Dodson and scoring with a low shot from 25 yards' range. Stock netted the second point, immediately prior to the interval whistle, following an error by Hedley.

Kowloon played up strongly at the opening of the second half, but Humphries netted twice before the end, and the Kowloon efforts in the last fifteen minutes came to nought. It was the first win secured by the K.O.S.B., but the whole side played capitally, and if they snap up their opportunities as Humphries did in scoring the third goal, the best of the match, will be well amongst the leaders at the finish.

Third Successive Win. Chinese Athletic won their third successive game, the Police having little chance from the beginning. The Police held their opponents to two goals, and it speaks volumes for the fine work done in the defence that at the interval no goals had been scored.

Clarke was at his best, Wynne and Sherry were safe in their kicking, and the half-backs got through much hard work with credit.

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OUR FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

PRIZE OF \$50 WEEKLY.

The "Hongkong Telegraph" offers a prize of \$50 to the readers who send in twelve correct forecasts of the results of the English and Scottish Football League matches (to be played on Saturday next, October 22nd) set out in the Coupon below. No goal scores are required; only forecasts showing wins or draws.

In the event of no reader forecasting all twelve matches, a prize of \$25 will be given to the reader who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts; and in the event of two or more readers sending in an equal high number, the prize of \$25 will be divided.

The competition is in accordance with the rules published in the "Telegraph" during the weeks August 29-September 24.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" FORECAST COMPETITION.

Matches to be played on October 22nd:—

DIVISION I.

Birmingham	v	Bury
Blackburn	v	Leicester
Bolton	v	Liverpool

DIVISION II.

Stoke	v	Barnsley
West Brom.	v	Swansea

DIVISION III. (SOUTH).

Exeter	v	Watford
Luton	v	Newport

DIVISION III. (NORTH).

Barrow	v	Bradford C.
Chesterfield	v	Darlington

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Aberdeen	v	Celtic
Airdrie	v	Bo'ness
Clyde	v	Hibernians

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INTERPORT BOWLS.

HONGKONG'S WRONG TACTICS.

BRILLIANT SHANGHAI PLAY.

For the first time in the history of lawn bowls between the two ports a visiting team has won the Prentice Cup.

On Saturday, Shanghai defeated Hongkong by 31 shots to 17 in a match in which the visitors outclassed the home team in practically every department of the game. The match was played at Craigengower and was witnessed by a large crowd of enthusiastic bowlers, who applauded impartially.

There was not much to enthuse over from a Hongkong point of view. The local players, with the exception of Wallace the skip, who had to carry the whole team on his shoulders, were rather disappointing, and could not compare with their opposite numbers. Their form was not up to expected standard, whilst that of Shanghai was a good deal above it. It was due to the sterling work of Wallace, who was called upon repeatedly to extricate his side from difficult positions, that the margin in favour of Shanghai was not greater than 14.

Shanghai Players.

The Shanghai bowlers are to be congratulated on a fine all-round game. Their display on Saturday was certainly the best ever seen in any previous Interport. Individually and collectively, they towered above the Hongkong four, Wallace excepted.

So great an advantage did Shanghai hold at 1, 2 and 3, that it frequently happened that the skip had nothing at all to do but to block his opponent, and this he did very successfully on more than one occasion. Although not quite so much in the lime-light as the rest of the team, Aitkenhead was particularly sound at skip and built up some heads that set Wallace very difficult problems to solve. Harvey played a wonderful game at No. 2 and often did just exactly what his skip told him. Malcolm proved a very experienced and capable player in the No. 3 position and was responsible for a lot of good work. Brierley led brilliantly. He was an ideal No. 1.

Hongkong Players.

With a little more luck Wallace would undoubtedly have increased the Hongkong score. So much was left to him to do that the wonder is that he kept the score down to respectable proportions. He was always fighting with his back to the wall. He played a consistently good game throughout and frequently drew the shot.

Macfarlane now and again came off, but on the whole he gave a disappointing display. He was heavy most of the time and once or twice spoilt the work of the Nos. 1 and 2, because of this.

For the first ten heads Atkinson did not shine but he improved as the game progressed and towards the end was lying the shot almost as often as his opponent.

Luong sent down some excellent woods but was up against a good man in Harvey and also had bad luck at times.

The Game.

Hongkong having scored two at the opening head, Shanghai took the lead at the second, scoring three. From this stage onwards,

LEAGUE CRICKET.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS.

There were no fewer than eight cricket matches on Saturday last, four friendly and four league matches. In the first division, the Hongkong University made a very good impression by winning with a decisive margin from the Indian team "B," winners of last year's junior division. The Chinese R. C. went under to the Craigengower C. C. in their first match. In the second division the new-overs to the league, the Hongkong Electric Company, won by a margin of 59 runs against the Civil Service. The Recreio accounted for the Civil Service by a difference of 70 runs. There were several high individual scores.

DIVISION I.

University v. Indians "B." at Polydulum, the University accounted for the I.R.C. "B" easily, winning by no less than 100 runs. For winners, A. A. Rumjahn (44) J. Barrow (30) were the top scorers.

C. C. C. v. C. R. C.

The Craigengower C. C. defeated Chinese R. C. by 72 runs. Batting first, the Happy Valley team compiled a total of 156. Abbotts was top-scorer with 47, while Kitchell contributed 40. The Chinese could not manage more than 84, (W. C. Hung Abbotts took 4 wickets for 21 for the C.C.C.)

DIVISION II.

Police v. H. K. Electric. The H.K. Electric won comfortably Happy Valley against the Police Cricket Club in their first league match. J. R. Way contributed a useful 40. The Happy Valley team totalled 100 runs. The best score for the winning team's total, He took 4 wickets for 22. For the Civil Service King took 5 wickets for 39.

Civil Service v. Recreio.

The Club de Recreio met with the opposition in their match against the C.S.C.C. H. Alves scored for the winners and R. C. Reed had 3 wickets for 11. The best score for the Civil Service was 26 F. Haynes.

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

K. C. C. v. H. K. C. C. In the K.C.C. ground, the home team played a draw with a team from the H.K.C.C. In first, the visitors compiled (Pearce 54 not out). The K.C.C. had 86 for 4 wickets when play was drawn owing to failing light.

J. R. C. "A" v. R. A. F.

The Indians "A" were beaten by Air Force in a friendly game by 92 runs. Batting first, their home team made 147, F. M. Ellis contributing 70 (not out). Lt. (5 for 65) and French (5 for 26) shared the wickets. For the Air Force, Lt. Dale played a great game in quick time before being caught square leg.

Civil Service v. Camerons.

Happy Valley the C.S.C.C. met the Camerons by 49 runs. The soldiers could only come against the good bowling of Civil Service, who replied with A. E. Wood scored 74 for the team.

Royal Navy v. University.

At King's Park the Royal Navy the University by 6 wickets and 10 runs. The Naval team declared their innings closed at 151, with the loss of only 4 wickets. The top-scorer was Tel. Burke with 41 not out. The University replied with 81, Alan being the highest scorer with 25.

H. K. C. C. v. K. C. C.

Played on the Club ground, the match resulted in a draw. The C.C.C. scored 138 (Lammert 33), K.C.C. replied with 104 for the loss of 6 wickets.

D. B. S. v. 56th COY. R. E.

The D. B. S. entertained the 56th Coy. R. E. on Saturday on their own ground and were beaten by the visitors by 9 runs after a close game.

The Engineers, Phayfair and Dares had 84 and 32 respectively. The scores were: 56 Company, 84; D. B. S. 104.

HIGH SCORING.

Volunteers and Indians Plays Drawn Game.

The Hongkong Volunteers fielded a strong team against the Indian R. C. in a friendly match at Saikung on Saturday and the result was some 200 runs in favor of the Volunteers. The volunteers declared when they had the 200 mark and set the Indians the difficult task of scoring 200 in an hour and half. Playing carefully the I. R. C. managed to pile up 100 for the loss of seven wickets when stumps were drawn. The scores are:

TWO DRAWN GAMES.

PROGRESS OF THE GREAT CROSS DUEL.

Buenos Aires, Oct. 16. The thirteenth and fourteenth games played between Capablanca and Alekhine were both drawn. —Reuter.

INTERPORT DINNER.

AFTER THE BOWLS MATCH.

The dinner given to the Interport lawn bowls teams, at the Savoy Hotel on Saturday night was a most successful affair. Representatives from all the clubs in the Colony attended. The great enthusiasm shown was perhaps somewhat surprising in view of Hongkong's heavy defeat, but it was nevertheless a fine tribute not only to the visitors' skill as bowlers but to their sportsmanship and popularity.

The function was one of the happiest of its kind. Close upon a hundred bowlers were present, with Mr. R. Sutherland, the President of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association, in the chair. He was supported by, among others, Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, Mr. R. C. Aitkenhead (Captain of the Shanghai team), Miss L. Wallace (Captain of the Hongkong team), Mr. D. Templeton (the Vice-President of the Association), Mr. E. Cock, Mr. R. E. Lindsell, Mr. R. L. Moncrieff, Mr. L. J. Davies, Mr. Beveridge and Mr. A. O. Brown. A number of interesting speeches were made interspersed with some well-rendered songs.

At the conclusion of an appetising and substantial spread, the Chairman submitted the loyal toast, which was enthusiastically honoured.

"Some" Play.

In proposing the toast of the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Association, Mr. Sutherland expressed the great pleasure it gave him to welcome the visiting players to the Colony. They had had a damp reception on their arrival and all sympathised with them, but he trusted that the warmth of the welcome they had received from the Hongkong bowlers since more than atoned for that. (Applause).

The Chairman, proceeding, said they had been lucky that day in seeing one of the finest games of lawn bowls it was possible to see. (Hear, hear). It was not much of a bowler himself but he could say that those who saw the interport game that day had learned quite a lot that they did not know before.

They congratulated Shanghai on winning. (Applause). Hongkong were beaten by a better team man for man. He did not think that if they played the same team again it would make any difference. Being a Hongkong man, however, he thought Mr. Wallace was entitled to every sympathy as certainly he had extraordinarily had luck. (Hear, hear).

The play of Shanghai could only be described as "some" play. Every man knew his job, knew what he had to do—and did it. Hongkong lost to a superior team, and there was nothing more to be said. (Applause).

The Big Four.

Some of them might wonder why he was in the extraordinary position of President of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association. It seemed extraordinary to his wife, who tackled him about it when she read in the paper that he had been elected. Being a politician, if not a bowler, he said that he must receive notice of that question. (Laughter). Their visitors had inspired the game of lawn bowls in Hongkong. The result was that they had had interport games from 1918 to 1926. The first team that went up to Shanghai in 1918 comprised Mr. Russell, who was a man who was respected by every one and his name would be revered by every man who knew him in China. (Hear, hear).

Shanghai Skip's Painful Duty.

Mr. Aitkenhead, who was received with loud and prolonged applause on rising to speak, expressed the thanks of the Shanghai team for the great hospitality which had been extended to them since their arrival in the Colony. All along he had had the feeling that Hongkong wanted to give them every chance to win and that was the thing that stood out foremost and would always remain a pleasant recollection of their visit. Hongkong did not desire to take advantage of home conditions, but had given them a fair chance—more than a fair chance—and the result was that he had the painful duty of taking the Cup away. (Laughter).

Mr. Aitkenhead referred to the enjoyable matches played against the Entertainments Committee had not done their job thoroughly. A court-martial would be held on that later. (Laughter).

The Taipins.

The wonderful game of lawn bowls went back to the 16th century, but he could only go back to 1906, when they were permitted on the golf course or the cricket pitch. Mr. D. Gow, who made an excellent speech at a similar gathering two years ago, said that they should have what he called a Taipins Club. They had at present fifteen bowls in the Colony, and they had done a lot of good. He had tried hard to get a Taipins Club started and at last they had got it started at the Real Club, and they would play their first match on Sunday—Scotland v. England. It would be wrong of him if he did not mention the name of Drake, although he knew they would be "fed up" with it. But Sir Francis Drake refused to give up drawing shots because the Spanish Armada was drawing near. It was the courageous spirit of the crusaders that made the game. He was down at a Club watching a game the other day and a friend next to him received a message: "Yed better cam' home; yer wife's waitin' for ye." To which he (his friend) replied: "Just tell her she'll have the wait till I see the game." That was the spirit that pervaded Drake. Bowlers in the face of the greatest

OLD CONTROVERSY.

ATHLETES AND PAYMENT FOR BROKEN TIME.

London, Oct. 16.

The British Olympic Association has cabled the Associations of Australia, New Zealand and South Africa requesting a cabled reply in support of their attitude regarding broken time. —Reuter.

It may be recalled that at the recent conference at Paris between the executive committee of the International Association Football Federation and the International Olympic Committee, they agreed that an indemnity for lost earnings may be awarded to footballers competing at the Olympics, without their losing their amateur status, provided it be paid to their employers and not direct to the players.

The foregoing was discussed by the council of the International Amateur Athletic Federation at a meeting at Amsterdam, and it passed a resolution that the council regretted the decision, and called the attention of the athletes of the world to the fact that Government servants in the Colony take it up. I will tell you why. If you play the game you are going to live twenty years longer, and the Hongkong Government instead of giving you a pension for five years, will have to give it for twenty-five years and perhaps, if they are all like our worthy President's uncle, for 50 years." (Laughter and Applause).

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The Chairman spoke appreciatively of the work Mr. Tacchi had done for the Association, describing him as the axle on which the wheel revolved. His keenness and enthusiasm were admired by them all.

Mr. Templeton, proposing the health of the guests, created a laugh when he remarked he had been associated with the game of bowls from the dark ages, his first game being when he played in a team with his father.

Mr. Lindsell replied on behalf of the guests.

Keeping the Game Going.

Mr. Malcolm, in response to the Chairman's invitation to say a few words, expressed the great pleasure it gave him to be back once again in Hongkong. He was one of the first Shanghai bowlers to visit Hankow and Hongkong and he admired the way in which both ports were keeping the game going. He agreed with everything Mr. Brown had said about making the Interport a day's test. He was entirely satisfied with the present arrangement and had already taken it up with the Shanghai Association, suggesting 31 heads to be played in the morning. He thought that that would provide a much better test. He hoped that the Association in Hongkong would make representations on the point.

The Chairman referred to other Shanghai players who had come down with the team, describing them as the second line of defence. Only four could be chosen, and the fact that they were not in the team was simply due to bad luck.

Mr. Horras suitably replied, and the President and the Vice-President having been toasted on the call of Mr. Brown, a most successful evening terminated with the singing of Auld Lang Syne and a verse of the National Anthem.

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The Secret of Success.

On behalf of the Shanghai team he thanked all for the welcome and the hospitality they had received. He could not speak too highly of their sportsmanship, and he assured them that Shanghai would endeavour to do the same when Hongkong paid them a visit. With regard to the game, he sympathised with Mr. Wallace. He was up against it right from the start. Personally he hated playing a game in which he had to block the other man all the time, and would much have preferred had it been different. He thought Shanghai pulled together a little bit better as a team and that was really the secret of their success that day. (Applause).

Mr. Wallace, the Captain of the Hongkong team, in presenting the shield to the opposing skip, congratulated Shanghai on their victory.

Hongkong were beaten by a better team.

Mr. Aitkenhead accepted the flag, and presented a small souvenir of the match to each member of the Hongkong team.

Mr. G. R. Edwards asked the company to drink to the health of the Entertainments Committee, remarking that whilst perhaps, in view of the fact that Hongkong had lost the Interport match, the Committee had not done their work quite as well as they might, he had no doubt that the Shanghai players were satisfied.

Modest Gentlemen.

Mr. A. O. Brown, whose name was associated with the toast, replying said the team Shanghai had sent down was the best team they had ever seen—a good, all-round team, a team of sportsmen, good players and modest gentlemen. They all played well, but he thought one of them stood a little more than the others and that was Mr. Malcolm. Mr. Malcolm bowled 42 good, and he bowled 42 good woods. He had never seen anyone bowl more than 39 before (Laughter).

"Bowls." Mr. Brown proceeded, "is called an old man's game. That is why I play it. I will tell you that it is a terrible game for the Government, especially if all the Government servants in the Colony take it up. I will tell you why. If you play the game you are going to live twenty years longer, and the Hongkong Government instead of giving you a pension for five years, will have to give it for twenty-five years and perhaps, if they are all like our worthy President's uncle, for 50 years." (Laughter and Applause).

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NEW SERIAL STORY

THE MERAFIELD MYSTERY.

By R. A. J. WALLING.
(Author of "The Third Degree," "Fatal Glove," etc.)

CHAPTER I.

As Clerk to the Justices of the Highcliff Petty Sessional Division, I prepared the depositions in the Merafield trial. But I should certainly not have undertaken this narrative as well save for the insistence of several persons who think there ought to be some records of the facts, more human and explanatory than the bare words of witnesses in court.

I agree with them, reluctant as I am to write the record. There are people to whose children it may be important to know a little more about the surrounding circumstances than they could ever obtain from newspaper files or even from the depositions themselves.

The task has been placed on me because, by sheer accident, I came to play rather more than a merely official part in the Merafield business.

The curious accident was this:

On the 16th August, 1925 (I remember the date, of course, because of what happened in the four succeeding days) I was walking up through the woods to my house, which is called Rosebank. The road, after you leave the bridge over the Mera, is steep, and a deep Devonshire lane. It cuts through the Merafield property—a very cool and beautiful walk in summer weather.

About half-way up to my house—that is, about three-quarters of a mile from the bridge—a private woodland path crosses the road, with a gate on either side. This little-used path leads from Merafield Tower to Highcliff Creek.

As I slowly climbed the hill and neared this four-cross-way, I was surprised by the sound of voices in loud dispute—voices of a man and a woman. The road is very lonely, and few people pass there, for there is no other house than my own near by, except Merafield Tower—indeed, no other habitation within three miles than the Merafield keepers' cottages and a farmhouse, Highcliff Farm, far to the east and some distance from the road. I recall no other occasion when I have met anybody there except the farm people in their trap on the way to or from Merafield Station.

So I was surprised to hear cultivated voices raised in this way. When I reached the gates, glancing along the glade to the right, I saw my neighbours, Sir Charles and Lady Merafield, standing some twenty yards down from the road. They were in heated altercation.

I did not stop, and, of course, I had no intention of eavesdropping. But they spoke with such emphasis that two sentences came to me quite clearly as I passed on.

Lady Merafield said, "It's absolutely intolerable that you should do this. It is a beastly thing to do. Telegraph to him at once and prevent him from starting."

Sir Charles Merafield replied, in a tone of hard anger, "I shall do nothing of the sort. If you are a good woman it will make no difference to you. If you're not—well, I'd better know."

They had not noticed me. I thought, though I passed at such a short distance from them: The words used by Sir Charles were strange, but I should probably have forgotten all about them (for they were no concern of mine); before the audible memory had faded, they had not been riveted in my mind by the events of the next four days.

For the due understanding of those events I must set down here a word about Sir Charles and Lady Merafield.

Sir Charles was the fourteenth baronet. The Merafields had been settled in this part of Devon since the early part of the seventeenth century. The first baronet was one of those who paid King James for their titles, and he took it at the time when he purchased the estate and built Merafield Tower on the site of an old manor house. Three centuries later Sir Charles was the only landed magnate on this side of the great town of Westport, and a person of large consideration in the county. He was the chairman of my bench, M.F.I., Alderman of the County Council, Deputy Lieutenant—in fact, he held all the offices traditional to the squires. He would have stood as candidate for the Division at the Parliamentary election of the previous year, but for the fact that the urban voters on the border of Westport disliked certain aspects of his character and record and had no special respect for his squires.

STRIKE OVER ONE MAN.

MAY MEAN A "HOLD-UP" OF LONDON.

ELECTRICAL DISPUTE.

London is threatened again with the danger of a general paralysis of the electrical lighting, tram, and tube services. So serious is the position that the Emergency Committee of the Electrical Contractors' Association has been summoned to a meeting immediately, while a committee of the Electrical Trades Union has met, says a Home paper of mid-week.

The trouble originated at Bective Electrical Works, Cavendish on Monday, when 56 members of the Union struck work over the employment of non-Unionists. The strike was not an official one, but too much fuss about permits to fish on his water. But above all he was an enthusiastic sea-angler. He kept a very serviceable lugger, besides his motor-boat, on the estuary of the Mera, was a knowledgeable sailor, and was always kind to the longshore fishermen.

On the side of sport Sir Charles was well in credit. He had a good account on another page as well. Although there were no military traditions in his family, he had become a soldier at the beginning of the war, and had raised at least half a battalion of new Territorials in the district in one of the recruiting crises.

On the debit side of his reckoning with public opinion there was nothing so definite to be said: A kind of uneasiness about his character. Rumours. A certain hardness that men noticed. A rough tongue with women and about them. And rumours again.

Having come into the title and the estate as a very young man, he had lived largely in London. Local society brought back stories about him to whisper in the smoking-room—stories not nice even in the smoking-room and offensive to suburban ears. They had died down lately, for at the end of 1924 Sir Charles married a charming woman, and was less in London and Paris.

Two Sides of the Dispute.

According to the men on strike, there was a number of non-Unionists employed by the firm, and nine joined in after the strike. They also allege that the firm refused to receive a deputation to discuss the matter. A representative of Bective, however, stated that the men's story was entirely wrong. The bone of contention, he said, was the employment of one man who had been dismissed from the Union. The reason was that he had worked overtime at the flat rate.

A committee discussed his action, and he was ordered to pay a fine of £10. This he refused to do, with the result that he had to leave the Union. The official added that it was a sort of unwritten law that when men were employed on jobs in small villages where they had nothing to do in the evenings, frequently asked to be allowed to work overtime. When possible, their wishes were granted, but when the men asked for overtime, they were paid only the flat rate. If they were asked by the firm to work on, they were paid overtime rates.

We think that the strike is due to the agitation of extremists or Communists, he added. Not so long ago a shop steward was preaching the doctrine of Communism to the men. Some of the men threatened to punch his head unless he changed his teachings.

Bective also repudiate the men's statement that the firm refused to meet a deputation to discuss the matter. The employers regard the strike as a violation of the agreement between their Association and the men's Union, and it is for that reason that they commenced a lock-out.

Mr. W. J. Webb, London district secretary of the Electrical Trades Union, said to a Press representative at the Trades Union Congress at Edinburgh to-day: "I have received a letter stating that the men are out, but the case has not yet been discussed by the executive, and the stoppage has therefore not yet received official endorsement. We have had many threats of a lock-out by the employers. If they carry out this threat we shall fight them and smash them individually."

My route from Rosebank to the town is a second-class road which passes between the grounds of Merafield and the wild country on the sea coast. I can garage my car at Westport Passage and cross by the ferry. It is a simpler way than motoring down the precipitous, narrow lane to the bridge and going round by the main road. Thus the Merafield estate is a narrow neck of land jutting into the English Channel between two water courses, with a bottle-neck entrance at Merafield Bridge. The station used by Merafield and near the bridge, and on the main road between them is an inn—the Merafield Arms. In the large room over the bar we hold the monthly sittings of the local petty sessional court.

(To be Continued.)

LION-HUNTING, OLD AND NEW.

COL. PATTERSON'S GOOD STORIES.

HELD UP A RAILWAY.

It is announced that the Game Department of Kenya Colony has appointed a white lion-hunter, who will have the privilege of hunting lions and leopards for four months in the southern reserve, which has hitherto been held sacred as a sanctuary for big game; he will hunt by day and with dogs; and it is hoped that his hunting will instill in the lions something of respect and fear man.

For it appears that the lions, having found the reserve a convenient breeding ground, have of late increased the field of their activities and have begun to attack systematically the herds and herdsmen of the Masai tribe. It would seem, indeed, a task for a Theseus for one man and a pack of terriers to go merrily to pacify a whole lion-infested countryside. "All the same I wish I had his job," Lieut.-Col. John Henry Patterson said in an interview with *The Observer*. Lieut.-Col. Patterson is a famous hunter of lions. It will be remembered that he wrote the history of some of his more lurid adventures in his book, "The Man-Eaters of Tsavo."

"Lions are sensible beasts," he said. "They know when they are well off." He thought, indeed, that great many animals seemed almost to know the exact position of the boundaries of the southern reserve. It is bounded, oddly enough, by the railway line, and on one side of the line—the right side—it is possible to watch them browsing contentedly a few yards away; on the other side they are on the qui vive and fly at the least alarm.

Old-Time Masai Hunt.

Thus, in the peace of the sanctuary the lions have flourished mightily; and to make their lives even more pleasant the Masai are hunting them less vigorously than of old. "It was a grand sight—an old-time Masai hunt!" Colonel Patterson said—and to hear him tell of it is exciting enough. It is a hunt conducted almost with the pomp and circumstance of a Spanish bull-fight. There is a band of warriors slowly circling round the lion, waving their spears; and when at last they have surrounded it one of the bravest goes into the midst of the ring and takes the lion's charge on his shield while he thrusts with his spear. Often the lion charges repeatedly and receives many spear-thrusts, so that many warriors attain glory. "In the old days, if a lion attacked the Masai cattle," the colonel said, "I think the herdsmen would have shown that they knew how to use their spears."

It seemed, however, as he thought, that the trouble was not much that the Masai have become less brave and less skilful, as that the lions have found such confidence and prosperity in the reserve. It may thus be found necessary to send a lion-hunter into the reserve as a corrective every few years. "And I hope that this time, at any rate, the authorities have had the forethought to send a cinema-man with the hunter. He would get such a film as would make a fortune."

"For the point about hunting with dogs is that the lions' attention is so distracted that the cinema-man could get close up for his shots without any danger. The lion is not going to bother about him. Hunting with dogs is considered unsportsmanlike. Compared with real lion-hunting, it is a quite a tame pastime. While the lion is mauling the terriers the hunter can shoot at leisure. It is a very different thing when you have time to wait for a lion's charge. You have only time for one shot; the lion has covered sixty or seventy yards in a second or two. It is a difficult target. You miss—and very like that will be the end of somebody. It may be the end of somebody; it may be one of his servants—though most of them, to be sure, are half way up the nearest tree before the lion arrives."

The Dignity of Lions.

Colonel Patterson has many stories to tell about lions; he seems to regard them almost as personalities to be studied as much as beasts to be hunted, and he has a chance enough to study them. It was he who killed the famous pair of man-eating lions who held up for nine months the building of the Uganda railway and killed and ate 125 of his workmen. He learned something about the lion's character—it's odd dignity, its belligerent powers. "For he's generally shamming when he's dead!" as Kipling wrote. He told of one lion, for instance, which, having fallen, was left lying, while another lion was tracked and killed; its body was found again a long time afterwards with some difficulty. The

RUDOLPH VALENTINO "SPEAKS."

SPIRIT MESSAGES IN BOOK BY WIFE.

"EXPERIENCES" AFTER DEATH.

Curious "spirit messages," purporting to come from the shade of Rudolph Valentino, the cinema actor, who died last year, are published in a book entitled "Rudy," by his second wife, Mlle. Natacha Rambova (Hutchinson, 10s. 6d. net).

It would appear that Valentino's popularity immediately after his passing was not so evident to himself as it was to his numerous worshippers left on Earth:

"Once I jolted into a woman who had headed straight into me and she shuddered and grasped her companion's arm, saying, 'My, what a cold wind struck me!'

"This made me furious. So death had turned me into cold wind! I would not have it so. I rushed up to a group of actors standing on the corner of Forty-seventh-street and Broadway near the Palace Theatre. I seized one of the men by the arm and shouted, 'I am Rudolph Valentino!'—but he paid no attention and went on laughing and talking."

Meeting with Caruso.

It seems that in life Valentino was "extremely modish himself, often astonishing us with the excellent test-messages received by him through his automatic writings." Now, through the medium of Dr. George Benjamin Wehner, an American psychic, have come the spirit messages.

At first Valentino was unhappy and restless, but later he became reconciled to his new surroundings, being taken under the guidance of a spirit.

He describes a meeting with Caruso. "So much love I have never seen before. Every one seems to beam with it. Caruso, whom, as you remember, I always admired so, comes to see me frequently. I am not yet sure whether he comes to me or I go to him. When I asked him about it, he laughed and said, 'Well, mio figlio, what does it matter? Are we not together?'

"He does not look just as he used to, either. He looks more like his music sounded, if you can imagine what I mean."

Seeing his own films.

Admirers of Valentino's acting

will be glad to know that he is

occasionally among them when

they go to see a film in which

he is "starred," although he does

not altogether seem to share their

emotions.

"I sometimes find myself in theatres where my pictures are still being shown. But somehow they do not seem as real to me as they used to. I do not feel so stirred when an audience is moved by my acting or the acting of others. Something about the city is growing fainter."

His surroundings seem to be congenial. Indeed, he might be said to be existing in an actors' paradise, as the following quotations show:

"My friends have taken me to see the theatres. They are enormous and very, very beautiful. They are also built of thought substance, but of that thought substance which comes from true poets' ideals...."

"All the great actors act in them. But there is a strange difference in the acting of here and the acting of earth. On the earth plane a clever artist can portray any part given him by the manager. Not so here. There is no mere cleverness here. All is simplicity.... A man cannot play a king unless he is majestic in character and soul. On earth the Passion Play comes nearest to this sincere expression."

In a short sentence he explains his own success: "It turns out that the unusual magnetism I possessed when appearing on the screen was due to the fact that I have been an actor in previous lives."

native servants surrounded and examined it; it seemed dead as any lion could be, but it got up and charged. It charged one of the natives a hundred yards, and he had barely time to scramble up a tree. It was only a quick shot from Colonel Patterson that put an end to the play. Here, again, the hunter with dogs has an advantage—he can investigate a shamming lion by proxy.

Lion seems almost to have a self-conscious dignity. "Sometimes," Colonel Patterson said, "I have been following a lion which has marched away with awful dignity—sometimes stopping and looking back as though to say, 'Come, any farther and there'll be trouble.' It will go on with this ceremony till it gets over a rise and thinks it's dignity away; it is off like the wind!" Not otherwise in Homeric smile—have wicked boys braved a policeman's steady eye, till they were round the corner.

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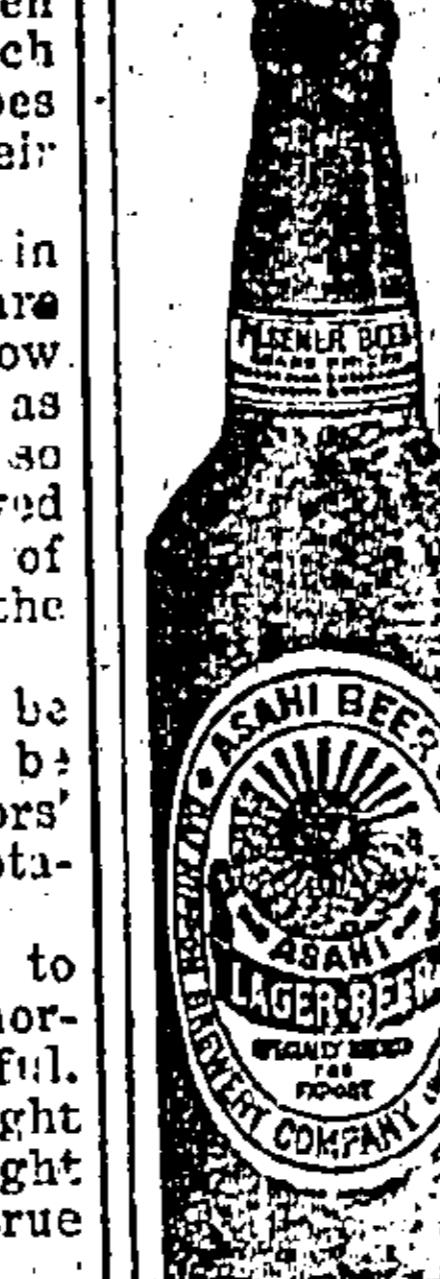
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OBITUARY.

DEATH OF MR. G. V. HUGHES.

Mr. G. V. Hughes, the chief accountant of Messrs. W. R. Loxley and Co., who came to Hongkong seven years ago, and was removed to the Government Civil Hospital on Wednesday, died at the institution early on Saturday morning.

Mr. Hughes had been suffering from kidney trouble for over two months.

He is survived by his wife, a son and daughter, the son being now attending Clifton College, and the daughter, Miss E. Hughes, employed at the office of Messrs. Loxley and Co.

Mr. Hughes, who was 45 years of age, belonged to both the Kowloon Cricket Club and the Zetland Lodge.

The late Mr. Hughes was well known and a highly respected member of the community, and much sympathy is felt for the widow and family in the great bereavement they have been suddenly called upon to bear.

Funeral Service.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at the Protestant Cemetery, when the officiating minister was the Rev. Walton Rogers, of Kowloon. There was a large attendance, including several ladies.

The chief mourners were Mrs. D. O. Russell, Mr. V. C. Labrum, and Mr. L. J. Cave. Others present at the graveside were the Worshipful Master of the Zetland Lodge, Mr. F. Bayliss, Mr. F. G. Herridge, Mr. A. J. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey, Mr. E. G. Renton, representatives of the Chinese staff of Messrs. Loxley and Co., Mr. G. E. Wetton, Mr. O. A. Smith, Mr. E. J. Ainslie, Mr. T. R. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Stapleton, Mr. H. Fawcett, Mr. David Harvey, Mr. J. H. Thomas, Mr. J. Hyde, Mr. W. Hyde, Mr. A. W. Eastman, Mr. W. R. Rundell, Mr. D. Mair, Mr. R. S. Logan, Mr. and Mrs. Pestonji, Mr. G. B. Labrum and Mr. L. A. Cossart.

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The following wreaths were sent:- From his affectionate and sorrowing wife May; Aunt Clara; Fred and Edith; Nancy and Reg; Maudie and George; Don and Eva.

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life presenting merely days in the school of the larger life. "At the bottom of that ladder, in the lowest class of that school we see the lowest savage, at the top, the greatest saints and the noblest intellects; geniuses built up by repeated personal efforts through many lives, by countless struggles, by great ecstasies and joys as well as by great sorrows, by failures and by victories, by evil as well as by good, the evils of the past, the painful steps wherein man rises into virtues, so that even in the lowest criminal and savage we have the promise of perfect divinity. He, too, shall rise where the saint is standing, and in all the children of men, whatever their race, caste, and religion, God shall at last be seen in all His perfections.

That is the glorious teaching of men's ascent, through reincarnation, which alone makes intelligible the progress of character and intelligence, and spirituality side by side with the evolution of the form. In all men can be seen clear signs of a past, of difference in soul-age, which alone is the true age of man. The sights of human misery and human degradation have driven hundreds of noble hearts into infidelity, into doubt in the justice and wisdom of God, quite unnecessarily if the teaching of reincarnation were known to them.

And religion must find an answer to these questions if she is to keep the noblest of her children within her pale. It is reincarnation alone which restores justice to God and power to man, for then we know that every man can build with a sure hand his future destiny, shaping his growth on lines of ever increasing beauty until he reaches the stature of the perfect man, in fulfilment of the command of his Christ.

FULL OF PRAISE OF RUSSIA.**YOUNG COMMUNISTS RETURN TO LONDON.**

London, Oct. 2. The six British Communist children who have been touring Russia for three months, have returned to London on board the Soviet ship, "Jusar," full of praise of Russia.

The only girl member of the party was especially enthusiastic with regard to the Ballet Bolshoi Theatre, Leningrad, where the party sat in the Tsar's box. The tour extended over several thousands of miles, including a fortnight in the Crimea.

It is understood that there was no difficulty with regard to the children landing here without passports, as all had birth certificates.

AFRICA TO BRAZIL.**TRANS-ATLANTIC VENTURE SUCCEEDS.**

Port Natal, Oct. 16. The aeroplane flown by Costes has landed here.

Costes landed at 23.40 local time on a field prepared for him twelve miles from the city and received a tumultuous welcome. This is the first non-stop South Atlantic crossing. His time was 21 hours 15 minutes.—Reuter's American Service.

SIBERIAN RAILWAY.**MESSRS. MORGAN'S INTERESTED.**

Tokyo, Sept. 30. A director of Messrs. Morgan's banking group is now in Japan for the purpose of considering the necessary capital to be invested in the Siberian Railways for the improvement of the system Indo-pacific.

TOULON MUTINY.**ANOTHER OUTBREAK QUELLED.**

Toulon, Oct. 15. When the inmates of the military prison were assembling for luncheon three tried to stir up a mutiny similar to the outbreak of September 29 when police and bluejackets had to restore order. After the prisoners had overpowered the warders this time, however, the prisoners were more anxious about food than freedom. The three mutineers chanted the "Internationale" to an unappreciative audience and then shouted threats and insults till a guard arrived and removed them.—Reuter.

A CHANNEL SWIM HOAX.(Continued from Page 1.)
LADY'S PECCULAR ACTION CRITICISED.**OFFICIAL CHECK-NEEDED.**London, Oct. 16. A sensational statement is made by the *News of the World* that the Channel swim alleged to have been accomplished by "Mona McLennan" (Dr. Dorothy Logan) on October 10 was a hoax carried out by Dr. Logan in order to show the desirability of an International Commission to control, supervise and certify all Channel swims.Dr. Logan, who had previously sworn an affidavit that she accomplished the swim, was paid a cheque for \$1,000 by the *News of the World*, but had since returned it to the donor.

In a statement she says that she entered the sea at Capo Grisnez at 7.40. The tide was already beginning to ebb and it was apparent to everyone that she could never swim the Channel that night. So about 9.30 she was taken into the boat when the pilot decided that they were then sufficiently far from the shore to escape detection of the manoeuvre.

She re-entered the water at 6.20 the following morning and swam for an hour before she landed on the beach. Prior to the swim she prepared a detailed statement of what she meant to do and the motive. This document she placed in a sealed envelope and saw it deposited in the safe of an hotel at Hythe.—Reuter.

Action Criticised.

London, later. Amid agreement as to the desirability of instituting an official check on Channel performances, there is some disapproval of Dr. Logan's methods of drawing attention to this.

Miss Gleitze, interviewed, said that in order to restore the prestige of women Channel swimmers, she ought to repeat her swim, and is willing to do so under certain conditions. She crossed the Channel on October 8.

The London clerk, Mr. Temme, pointed out that his swim on August 5 was accompanied by independent witnesses.

Mrs. Gill said she was pleased she had insisted on a French official umpire following her when she did the crossing, on October 14.—Reuter.

JAPANESE GO TO LAW.**CLAIM FOR GOODS DELIVERED.**

In the Summary Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Wood, Messrs. Morita and Co., 203-212 Queen's Road East, sued Mr. K. Inoguchi, ground floor, 48 Praya East, and or 12 Ship Street, first and second floors, for \$33624, being balance due for goods sold and delivered.

It was stated that the goods were delivered between December 23, 1924, and December 19, 1925, and were to the value of \$456.92. Two payments had been made, amounting to \$124.74, leaving the balance claimed. Mr. L. D. Turner was for the plaintiff, and defendant conducted his own defence.

Plaintiff stated that the defendant had both a restaurant and a barber's shop. The license for the restaurant was in his name during the period when the goods were delivered. He expected that the defendant would pay the money. There was no denial of liability between the time he sent a letter asking for payment, and the date of the issue of the writ.

The defendant denied that he had asked the plaintiff to supply the goods, saying that his wife had asked for them. He said that the tea house belonged to his wife. The license was in his name because he applied for it as he could speak some English, and his wife could not.

The defendant's wife gave evidence, and in reply to his Lordship said the tea house really belonged to her husband, and she was the manageress.

Judgment was given for the plaintiff with costs.

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TROUBLE FEARED IN PEKING.

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GENERAL'S ARREST.

Taken to Nanking. Fochow, Oct. 16. General Tang Hsu-chiang has been arrested. He is being taken to Nanking under escort.—Reuter.

PAY IN ARREARS.

Chinkiang, Oct. 15. The pay of the soldiers here is several months in arrears, and some men have been endeavouring to make good the deficiency by disposing of their arms to purchasers.

Two of these men, belonging to the 14th Army, have paid the extreme penalty for so doing, having been executed.—Naval Wireless.

BANDITS AT ICHANG.

Ichang, Oct. 15. An effort is being made to curb the activities of bandits, who are carrying on their lawless work round about the district lying between Iu and Shasi, by despatching soldiers stationed at Ichang to this area.

An Italian vessel is to be used as a means of transport.—Naval Wireless.

FENGTIEN ADVANCE.

Prisoners and Guns Captured. Peking, Oct. 15.

The Ankuochuan announce that Chang Hsueh-ling wired stating that the Fengtienites have recaptured Chochow, taking prisoners two regiments of Shansi-ites, who had seized the city, with all their field guns. Chang Hsueh-ling also definitely announced that he captured Shih-chia-chuang, taking much ammunition supplies as well as many important documents. Yen Hsi-shan has retreated westward to the mountains.

Chu Yu-pu wired announcing that he has captured Kweiteim, the Kuominchun retreating towards Kaifeng.

ANTI-RED CAMPAIGN.The *Yishikao* gives prominence to a message from a Hsichowfu correspondent, stating that Wu Pei-fu's delegate had arrived there and was negotiating for an anti-Red campaign. The delegate declared that the militarists in Szechuan, Yunnan and Kweichow had agreed to make Wu Pei-fu commander of an expedition against Hankow.—Reuter.**FENG RETREATING.**

Shanghai, Oct. 15. It is reported that the Chin-shantung forces advancing westward along the Lunghai line, have occupied Hui-tch, and that Feng Yu-hsiang's troops are falling back.

Well-informed circles discount the reported Northern thrust by Nanking troops, believing that the rapid victory by the Fengtien party against Shansi, combined with the dissensions and jealousies in the Nationalist Government, will prevent a decisive action against the North.—Reuter.

HANKOW CONCESSION.**BRITISH POLICY RE-STATED.**

London, Oct. 16. A recent meeting of the Far Eastern section of the London Chamber of Commerce passed a unanimous resolution urging that in view of the disastrous results of the handing over of the Hankow Concession it was not desirable that the Government should initiate or continue negotiations for the modification of the status of the other Concessions or Treaty Ports at present.

With reference to reports in connexion with this, Reuter learns that the British Government does not intend to re-occupy the British Concession at Hankow at present. It is pointed out that should the necessity arise Britain will naturally have to reconsider the position, but at present there appear to be no grounds for making such action necessary.—Reuter.

The problem is apparently insoluble. Mr. Chen has suggested that the British Government should permanently station a cruiser in Bias Bay to intercept incoming pirate vessels; but the British Government could neither spare such a cruiser nor defend the measure politically. No Chinese authority is willing or able to maintain order in Bias Bay. It is impossible for ships in Chinese waters to refuse all Chinese passengers for most of the passengers are Chinese. It has to be accepted as one of the curiosities of the day that a band of pirates can live in security on the Chinese mainland and can carry out their piracy with impunity, although they and their work and the places they live in are known to everyone concerned.

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